

JOURNAL  
OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
SIXTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION,  
OF THE  
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

*In South-Carolina:*  
HELD IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CHARLESTON,

On the 14th and 15th of FEBRUARY,

1849.

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WITH  
LISTS OF THE CLERGY AND PARISHES,  
THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS, THE CONSTITUTION, CANONS AND RULES  
OF ORDER, AND THE STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

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## ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE CLERGY,

BELONGING TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SOUTH-CAROLINA,

MARCH, 1849.

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THE Rt. Rev. CHRISTOPHER EDWARD GADSDEN, D. D., *Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Philip's Parish, Charleston.*

### PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. Thomas S. Arthur, *Rector of Christ Church, Greenville.*

- “ William H. Barnwell, *Rector of St. Peter's Church, Charleston.*
- “ John Barnwell Campbell, *Assistant Minister of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.*
- “ John W. Chanler, *residing in New-York.*
- “ Augustus L. Converse, *Rector of the Church at Claremont, Stateburg.*
- “ Andrew H. Cornish, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.*
- “ J. Hamilton Cornish, *Rector of the Church of St. Thaddæus, Aiken.*
- “ M. A. Curtis, *Rector of Trinity Church, Society Hill.*
- “ Thomas F. Davis, *Rector of Grace Church, Camden.*
- “ William Dehon, *Rector of the United Churches of Pineville and Upper St. John's.*
- “ Francis P. Delavaux, *residing at Walterboro'.*
- “ Charles P. Elliott, *Rector of St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs.*
- “ Stephen Elliott, *Assistant Minister of Prince William's Parish.*
- “ Henry Elwell, *Teacher at Society Hill and Missionary to Darlington C. H. and Mar's Bluff.*
- “ J. R. Fell, *Rector of Christ Church Parish.*
- “ Andrew Fowler, *Charleston.*
- “ Philip Gadsden, *Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Stono, and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.*

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The Rev. Paul T. Gervais, residing in St. John's, John's Island.

“ Richard Graham, Assistant Minister of St. Helena, Beaufort.

“ Alexander Glennie, Rector of All Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.

“ Alexander Gregg, Rector of St. David's Church, Cheraw.

“ Charles H. Hall, Rector of St. John's, John's Island.

“ Christian Hanckel, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro'.

“ James Stuart Hanckel, Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro'.

“ Wm. Henry Hanckel, Rector of the Church on Edisto Island.

“ Robert Henry, D.D., Professor in the South-Carolina College.

“ Rob't. T. Howard, Rector of Prince George's Parish, Winyaw.

“ Joseph Hunter, Rector of Prince Frederick's, Pee Dee.

“ Jedediah Huntington, M. D., residing in New-York.

“ Nathaniel Hyatt, Rector of St. James', Santee.

“ Benjamin Johnson, Rector of Ascension Church, Gillisonville.

“ Paul Trapier Keith, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.

“ Maurice H. Lance, residing near Georgetown.

“ Charles E. Leverett, Rector of Prince William's Parish.

“ Alex. W. Marshall, Minister of St. John's Chapel, Hampstead.

“ David McElheran, Rector of St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island.

“ Stiles Mellichamp, Rector of St. James's Church, James Island.

“ James W. Miles, Teacher, Charleston.

“ Josiah Obear.

“ Edward Phillips, Rector of St. Thomas's and St. Dennis's Parish.

“ C. C. Pinckney, Jr., Rector of Messiah Church, North Santee.

“ William T. Potter, residing at Beaufort.

“ W. O. Prentiss, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish.

“ J. Maxwell Pringle, Rector of Zion Church, Richland.

“ Edward Reed, Rector of Trinity Church, Edgefield.

“ Richard S. Seely, residing in Stamford, Conn.

“ Peter J. Shand, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.

“ Robert D. Shindler, Principal of an Academy at Orangeburg C. H., and Missionary.

“ J. H. Smith, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.

“ Wm. Wallace Spear, Rector of Grace Church, Charleston.

“ Isaac Swart, officiating at Jacksonville, (Florida.)

“ Paul Trapier, Missionary at Calvary Church, Charleston.

“ Joseph R. Walker, Rector of St. Helena Parish, Beaufort.

The Rev. Edward T. Walker, *Rector of Christ Church, Wilton.*

- “ C. B. Walker, *residing at Edgefield C. H.*
- “ Cranmore Wallace, *Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.*
- “ Benjamin C. Webb, *Missionary in Prince William's Parish, among the slave population.*
- “ Arthur Wigfall, *Rector of St. Mark's Parish, Clarendon.*
- “ Alsop Woodward, *Rector of St. Luke's Parish.*
- “ Thomas John Young, *Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*

#### DEACONS.

The Rev. C. T. Bland, *Assistant to the Rector of All Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.*

- “ James H. Elliott, *Assisting the Rector of St. Helena's, Beaufort.*
- “ Christopher Philip Gadsden, *Assistant to the Rector of St. Stephen's, Pineville, &c.*
- “ William Bell White Howe, *Assistant Minister of St. John's Parish, Berkley.*
- “ L. Clement Johnson.
- “ E. C. Logan, *Assistant to the Rector of the Church of the Messiah, N. Santee.*
- “ J. D. McCollough, *Missionary for Spartanburgh District.*
- “ G. L. Platt, *Teacher in All Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.*
- “ Joseph B. Seabrook, *Assistant to the Rector of St. Luke's Parish.*
- “ James Ward Simmons, *Assistant Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston, and Missionary at the Church of the Holy Communion, Cannonsborough.*

Bishop,	-	-	-	1
Presbyters,	-	-	-	60
Deacons,	-	-	-	10
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Total, - - - - 71

The following Clergymen did not attend the meetings of the Convention, viz:—

#### PRESBYTERS.

- The Rev. T. S. Arthur,
- “ J. W. Chanler,
- “ T. F. Davis,
- “ F. P. Delavaux,

The Rev. H. Elwell,  
 " C. Hanckel, D. D.  
 " R. Henry, D. D.  
 " J. Huntington, M. D.  
 " J. W. Miles,  
 " W. T. Potter,  
 " R. S. Seely,  
 " P. J. Shand,  
 " R. D. Shindler,  
 " I. Swart,  
 " C. B. Walker,  
 " B. C. Webb.—16.

## DEACONS.

The Rev. C. T. Bland,  
 " L. C. Johnson,  
 " E. C. Logan,  
 " G. L. Platt,  
 " J. B. Seabrook.—5.

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 Total, 21

LIST OF PARISHES AND CHURCHES,  
 IN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA, WITH THE DATES  
 OF THEIR FOUNDATION ANNEXED.

<i>St. Philip's</i> (original Church, built 1681,) <i>Parish</i> ,	1704,
<i>St. James's</i> ,	1706, April 9.
<i>St. Andrew's</i> ,	1706, Nov. 30.
<i>St. Bartholomew's</i> ,	1706, " "
<i>Christ Church</i> ,	1706, " "
<i>St. James's</i> ,	Parish, Goose Creek, 1706, " "
<i>St. John's</i> ,	" Berkley, 1706, " "
<i>St. Thomas and St. Dennis</i> ,	1706, " "
<i>St. Paul's</i> ,	1706, " "
<i>St. Helena's</i> ,	1712,

<i>Prince George's,</i>	Parish, Winyaw,	1721,
<i>St. John's,</i>	“ John's Island,	1734,
<i>Prince Frederick's,</i>	“ 1734, Chapel Peedee,	1838,
<i>Prince William's,</i>	“ .	1745,
<i>St. Michael's,</i>	“ 1751, (Church built	1761,)
<i>St. Mark's,</i>	“ Clarendon,	1757,
<i>All-Saints',</i>	“ Waccamaw,	1767, May 23.
<i>St. Luke's,</i>	“	1767, “ “
<i>St. Matthew's,</i>	“	1768,
<i>St. David's,</i>	“ 1768, Church, Cheraw,	1820,
<i>Church on Edisto Island,</i>		1774,
<i>Claremont Church,</i>	Stateburg,	1788,
<i>St. Helena Church,</i>	St. Helena Island,	
<i>Pineville and Upper St. John's,</i>		1807,
<i>St. Paul's Church,</i>	Radcliffeboro',	1810,
<i>Trinity</i> “	Columbia,	1812,
<i>Grace</i> “	Sullivan's Island,	1817,
<i>St. Paul's</i> “	Pendleton,	about 1821,
<i>Christ</i> “ “	Greenville,	1825,
<i>Grace</i> “ “	Camden,	1830,
<i>St. James's</i> “ “	James Island,	1831,
<i>St. Peter's</i> “ “	Charleston,	1833,
<i>Trinity</i> “ “	Society Hill,	1833,
<i>Christ</i> “ “	Wilton,	1834,
<i>Holy Trinity</i> “ “	Grahamville,	1834,
<i>Trinity</i> “ “	Edgefield,	1835,
<i>St. John's</i> “ “	Fairfield,	1839,
<i>St. Philip's</i> “ “	Bradford Springs,	1841,
<i>Trinity</i> “ “	Abbeville,	1842,
<i>Church of the Messiah,</i>	North Santee,	1842,
<i>Church of St. Thaddæus,</i>	Aiken,	1842,
<i>Emmanuel Church,</i>	Chester,	1843,
<i>Zion Church,</i>	Richland,	1844,
<i>Church of the Epiphany,</i>	Laurens,	1746,
<i>Grace Church,</i>	Charleston,	1846,
<i>St. Luke's Church,</i>	Newberry,	1846,
<i>Ascension Church,</i>	Gillisonville,	1847,
<i>Church of the Advent,</i>	Spartanburg,	1847.

## CONGREGATIONS

NOT ENTITLED TO A REPRESENTATION IN THE CONVENTION.

<i>St. Stephen's</i>	<i>Chapel,</i>	<i>Charleston,</i>	<i>1822,</i>	<i>Mission</i>
<i>St. John's</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Hampstead,</i>	<i>1839,</i>	

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## LAY DELEGATES PRESENT AT CONVENTION.

*St. Philip's*, Daniel Huger, B. D. Heriot, H. D. Lesesne, J. Pringle Smith.

*St. James'*, Santee, Dr. A. E. Gadsden.

*St. Andrew's*.

*St. Bartholomew's*, Robert Jenkins.

*Christ Church*, J. S. Rhett.

*St. James'*, Goose Creek.

*St. John's*, Berkley, F. A. Ford, John Harleston, Dr. S. W. Barker

*St. Thomas and St. Dennis*.

*St. Paul's*, Stono.

*St. Helena, Beaufort*, Dr. Thomas Fuller, Hon. R. W. Barnwell.

*Prince George, Winyaw*.

*St. John's, John's Island*.

*Prince Frederick's, Peegee*, R. F. W. Allston, J. R. Sparkman.

*Prince William's*, T. M. Hanckel, James Cuthbert, A. H. Seabrook.

*St. Michael's*, Dr. I. M. Campbell, Dr. H. S. Waring, Alexander Robertson.

*St. Mark's, Clarendon*.

*All-Saints'*, Waccamaw.

*St. Luke's*.

*St. Matthew's*.

*St. David's, Cheraw*.

*Church on Edisto Island*, Dr. Edward Mitchell, B. W. Seabrook, Wm. Whaley.

*Claremont Church, Stateburg*, Col. J. J. Moore.

*St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island*.

*Pineville and Upper St. John's*.

*St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro*.

*Trinity, Columbia*.

*Grace Church, Sullivan's Island*, Col. J. B. I'On:

*St. Paul's, Pendleton*, C. Stevens.

*Christ Church, Greenville*, Dr. P. Tidyman.

*Grace Church, Camden*.

*St. James', James Island*, Dr. R. Lebby.

*St. Peter's, Charleston, Col. C. G. Memminger, C. A. Desaussure.*  
*Trinity Church, Society Hill.*  
*Christ Church, Wilton, Col. L. Morris, James Meggett, J. W. Faber.*  
*Holy Trinity, Grahamville, Dr. Thomas Scriven, Gen. J. H. Howard, James Bolan, C. C. Dupont.*  
*Trinity, Edgefield.*  
*St. John's, Fairfield.*  
*St. Philip's, Bradford Springs.*  
*Trinity, Abbeville.*  
*Church of the Messiah, N. Santee, J. H. Ladson, Andrew Johnston.*  
*Church of St. Thaddæus, Aiken, E. R. Laurens.*  
*Emmanuel Church, Chester.*  
*Zion Church, Richland, J. B. Clarkson, Hon. D. E. Huger.*  
*Church of the Epiphany, Laurens.*  
*Grace Church, Charleston, B. S. Rhett, F. P. Elford.*  
*St. Luke's, Newberry.*  
*Ascension Church, Gillisonville, Gen. Wm. E. Martin.*  
*Church of the Advent, Spartanburg.*



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# MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION.

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*Charleston, February 14th, 1849.*

THIS being the day appointed by the Constitution for the Sixtieth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina, the Clergy and Laity assembled in St. Michael's Church at 10 o'clock, A. M. Morning Prayer, with the Litany, was said by the Rev. Richardson Graham. The Ante-Communion Service was said by the Bishop. The Epistle and Gospel were read by the Rev. Alex. Glennie. A sermon was preached by the Rev. A. H. Cornish. The Bishop then proceeded with the Communion, assisted in the delivery of the bread by the Rev. P. T. Keith, and in the distribution of the Cup by the Rev. Messrs. Glennie and S. Elliott. The alms at the Offertory were collected by the Rev. R. Graham and the Rev. J. M. Pringle.

After the Episcopal Benediction, the Convention was called to order, the Roll called, and a quorum of both orders found present.

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats, answered to their names, viz :—

## BISHOP.

The Rt. Rev. C. E. GADSDEN, D. D.

## PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. W. H. Barnwell,

The Rev. R. T. Howard,

" J. Barnwell Campbell,  
" A. L. Converse,  
" A. H. Cornish,  
" J. H. Cornish,  
" M. A. Curtis,  
" C. P. Elliott,  
" S. Elliott,  
" P. Gadsden,  
" P. T. Gervais,  
" A. Glennie,  
" R. Graham,  
" A. Gregg,  
" J. S. Hanckel,  
" W. H. Hanckel,

" N. Hyatt,  
" B. Johnson,  
" P. T. Keith,  
" A. W. Marshall,  
" D. McElheran,  
" J. Obear,  
" E. Phillips,  
" C. C. Pinckney, jr.  
" J. M. Pringle,  
" J. H. Smith,  
" W. W. Spear,  
" P. Trapier,  
" J. R. Walker,  
" T. J. Young.

## DEACONS.

The Rev. W. B. W. Howe,

The Rev. J. W. Simmons,

Delegates were present from the following Parishes and Churches, viz:—

St. Philip's, Charleston; St. James's, Santee; St. Bartholomew's, Christ Church; St. John's Berkley; St. Helena, Beaufort; Prince Frederick, Peedee; Prince William's; St. Michael's; Church on Edisto; Claremont; Grace Church, Sullivan's Island; St. Paul's, Pendleton; Christ Church, Greenville; St. James's, James Island; St. Peter's; Christ Church, Wilton; Holy Trinity, Grahamville; Messiah, N. Santee; St. Thaddæus, Aiken; Zion, Richland; Grace, Charleston; Ascension, Gillisonville.

The Roll of the Clergy was referred to a Committee, consisting of the Rev. Messieurs T. J. Young, N. Hyatt, and W. O. Prentiss.

The certificates of Lay Delegates were referred to a Committee, consisting of Messieurs Ford and Martin, and Dr. Lebby.

The Committee on the Clergy reported as follows:—

The Committee to whom a list of the Clergy was referred, respectfully report as follows:—

1st. That the following Clergymen are entitled to *all* the privileges of Members of this Convention, viz:—

The Rt. Rev. C. E. GADSDEN, D. D., Bishop.

*Presbyters.*

The Rev. T. S. Arthur,  
 " W. H. Barnwell,  
 " J. B. Campbell,  
 " A. L. Converse,  
 " A. H. Cornish,  
 " J. H. Cornish,  
 " M. A. Curtis,  
 " T. F. Davis,  
 " W. Dehon,  
 " C. P. Elliott,  
 " S. Elliott,  
 " J. R. Fell,  
 " P. Gadsden,  
 " R. Graham,  
 " A. Gregg,  
 " A. Glennie,  
 " Ch. Hanckel, D. D.  
 " J. S. Hanckel,  
 " W. H. Hanckel,  
 " R. T. Howard,

The Rev. J. Hunter,  
 " N. Hyatt,  
 " B. Johnson,  
 " P. T. Keith,  
 " C. E. Leverett,  
 " D. McElheran,  
 " S. Mellichamp,  
 " J. Obear,  
 " E. Phillips,  
 " C. C. Pinckney, jr.  
 " W. O. Prentiss,  
 " J. M. Pringle,  
 " P. J. Shand,  
 " W. W. Spear,  
 " J. R. Walker,  
 " E. T. Walker,  
 " A. Wigfall,  
 " A. Woodward,  
 " T. J. Young.

*DEACONS.*

The Rev. C. P. Gadsden.

The Rev. W. B. W. Howe.

2d. That the following Clergymen are entitled to all the privileges

of Members of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote in matters pertaining to the temporal affairs of the Churches, viz:—

The Rev. H. Elwell,

“ M. H. Lance,

“ A. W. Marshall,

“ R. D. Shindler,

The Rev. P. Trapier,

“ C. Wallace,

“ B. C. Webb.

3d. That the following Clergymen are entitled to seats, but not votes, viz:—

*Presbyters.*

The Rev. F. P. Delavaux,

“ A. Fowler,

“ P. T. Gervais,

The Rev. R. Henry, D. D.

“ J. H. Smith,

“ C. B. Walker.

*Deacons.*

The Rev. C. T. Bland,

“ E. C. Logan,

“ J. D. McCollough,

The Rev. G. L. Platt,

“ J. B. Seabrook,

“ J. W. Simmons.

4th. That the following Clergymen are entitled to neither seats nor votes, viz:—

*Presbyters.*

The Rev. J. W. Chanler,

“ J. Huntington, M. D.

“ J. W. Miles,

“ R. S. Seely,

The Rev. I. Swart,

“ E. Reed,

“ W. T. Potter.

*Deacon.*

The Rev. L. C. Johnson.

All which is respectfully submitted by

T. J. YOUNG,  
N. HYATT,  
W. O. PRENTISS, } Committee.

The Committee on the certificates of Lay Delegates, reported as follows:—

That the following gentlemen have presented satisfactory certificates of delegation, viz:—

*St. Philip's*, \*Daniel Huger. \*B. D. Heriot, \*H. D. Lesesne, \*J. Pringle Smith.

*St. James, Santee*, \*Dr. A. E. Gadsden, P. P. Mazyck, W. Lucas, C. C. Pinckney.

*St. Andrew's.*

*St. Bartholomew's*, \*Robert Jenkins.

*Christ Church*, \*J. S. Rhett.

*St. James, Goose Creek.*

*St. John's, Berkley*, \*F. A. Ford, \*John Harleston, \*Dr. S. W. Barker, Dr. B. Huger.

*St. Thomas and St. Dennis*, John L. Nowell, Dr. Edmund Ravenel, James Rose.

*St. Paul's, Stono.*

*St. Helena's, Beaufort*, \*Dr. Thomas Fuller, \*Hon. R. W. Barnwell.

*Prince George's, Winyaw.*

*St. John's, John's Island.*

*Prince Frederick's, Peegee*, \*R. F. W. Allston, A. H. Belin, \*J. R. Sparkman, R. S. Izard.

*Prince Williams*, \*T. M. Hanckel, \*James Cuthbert, \*A. H. Seabrook.

*St. Michael's*, \*Dr. I. M. Campbell, \*Dr. H. S. Waring, \*Alex'r. Robertson.

*St. Mark's, Clarendon.*

*All-Saints', Waccamaw.*

*St. Luke's.*

*St. Matthew's.*

*St. David's, Cheraw.*

*Church on Edisto Island*, \*Dr. Edward Mitchell, \*B. W. Seabrook, \*William Whaley.

*Claremont Church, Stateburg*, \*Col. J. J. Moore.

*St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island.*

*Pineville and Upper St. John's.*

*St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro'.*

*Trinity, Columbia.*

*Grace, Sullivan's Island*, \*Col. J. B. I'On, J. L. Petigru, Thomas Waring.

*St. Paul's, Pendleton*, \*C. Stevens.

*Christ, Greenville*, \*Dr. P. Tidyman.

*Grace, Camden.*

*St. James, James Island*, \*Dr. R. Lebby, W. H. Rivers.

*St. Peter's, Charleston*, \*Col. C. G. Memminger, \*C. A. Desaussure, Edward Barnwell, jr., \*G. M. Coffin.

*Trinity, Society Hill.*

*Christ, Wilton*, \*Col. L. Morris, Col. Jenkins, \*James Meggett,  
\*J. W. Faber.

*Holy Trinity, Grahamville*, \*Dr. Thomas Scriven, \*General J. H. Howard, \*James Bolan, \*C. C. Dupont.

*Trinity, Edgefield.*

*St. John's, Fairfield.*

*St. Philip's, Bradford Springs.*

*Trinity, Abbeville.*

*Church of the Messiah, North Santee*, \*J. H. Ladson, \*Andrew Johnston, Gabriel Manigault.

*Church of St. Thadæus, Aiken*, \*E. R. Laurens, James Gadsden, O. H. Dawson, J. F. Schmidt.

*Emmanuel Church, Chester.*

*Zion Church, Richland*, \*J. B. Clarkson, \*Hon. D. E. Huger.

*Church of the Epiphany, Laurens.*

*Grace Church, Charleston*, \*B. S. Rhett, \*F. P. Elford, \*D. Jennings.

*St. Luke's, Newberry.*

*Ascension, Gillisonville*, \*Gen. William E. Martin.

*Church of the Advent, Spartanburg.*

The Rules of Order were then read.

The Rev. C. Wallace was unanimously re-elected Secretary, but being absent, from sickness, the Rev. P. T. Keith acted in his stead.

Preachers for the next Convention were appointed, viz: The Rev J. Obear, and as his substitute, the Rev. M. A. Curtis.

The following Committees were appointed, viz:

On unfinished business, the Rev. J. S. Hanckel, Dr. H. S. Waring and Mr. Andrew Johnston.

On Finance: Edward R. Laurens, James S. Rhett and Alexander Robertson.

The Standing Committee reported as follows:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of South-Carolina respectfully report that they have recommended to the Bishop for Priest Orders, the Rev. William Henry Hanckel.

For Deacon's Orders, Mr. George Lewis Platt, Mr. John D. McCollough, Mr. J. Ward Simmons, Mr. Edward C. Logan, Mr. Joseph B. Seabrook, Mr. Charles Theodore Bland, and Mr. James H. Elliott.

And as a candidate for Orders, Dr. Paul Gervais Jenkins.

C. HANCKEL, *President.*

The election of a Standing Committee was then entered into, and the following Tellers appointed, viz: for the votes of the Clergy, the

Rev. Messrs. C. P. Elliott, Howard and Prentiss. For the votes of Laity, Messrs. Elford, T. B. Clarkson, and Dupont.

The election of Deputies to the General Convention, was ordered, and the following Tellers appointed, viz: for the votes of the Clergy, the Rev. Messrs. Phillips, W. H. Hanckel, and Simmons. For the votes of the Laity, Dr. Barker, Dr. Lebby, and Dr. A. E. Gadsden.

The Rev. A. Glennie offered the following, which was adopted.

As Ash-Wednesday, next year will fall in the second Wednesday in February.

*Resolved*, That the stated meeting of the Convention next year be held on the *first* Wednesday in February.

The Tellers reported the following gentlemen to be re-elected as the Standing Committee for the following year, viz :

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.,	Dr. I. M. Campbell,
“ Paul Trapier,	James H. Ladson,
“ P. T. Gervais,	Henry D. Lesesne,
“ P. T. Keith,	Edward R. Laurens,
“ J. S. Hanckel,	C. G. Memminger.

The Convention adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

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Thursday, Feb. 15th, 1849.

The Convention met according to adjournment. Morning prayer was said by the Rev. J. Maxwell Pringle.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop, the Roll called, and a quorum found present. The Secretary appeared and took his seat.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and corrected.

The Tellers for the Clerical votes for Delegates to the General Convention reported, but the Tellers for the Lay votes not being present, the election was not declared.

The Committee on the Diocesan School reported as follows :

The Committee on the Diocesan School respectfully report. That they have attended to the duties entrusted to them as long as they were able. The fears expressed by your Committee in their report to the last Convention, have not proved groundless. The decreased number of pupils left the teacher without a sufficient support, and he gave notice to your Committee, in March last, of his intention to resign the charge of the School. Application was made to several persons within and without the State to whom your Committee thought they might safely entrust the care of the School, but without success. Such offers as were made to them, they were constrained, either because of the terms proposed, or other sufficient reasons, to decline. In this state of things, in May last, they were compelled to adopt the following resolution.

*Resolved*, That, for the present, the School must be suspended.”

It is for the Convention now to determine as to the proper course to take on the subject with which your Committee has been charged.

Your Committee further state that any contributions to the purposes of the School, which have come into their hands, have been disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the following resolution adopted in May last :

*Resolved*, That any sums contributed by any individual or congregation be "deposited in the Savings Bank."

In behalf of the Committee,

C. E. GADSDEN.

The following Clergymen, not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats, viz: the Rev. Messrs. Dehon, Fell, P. Gadsden, C. P. Gadsden, Mellichamp, and Lance.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address, as follows :

*Brethren, the Presbyters, Deacons and Laymen of the Convention :*

THE canonical statement required of me, on this occasion, is as follows :

I. In conformity to Canon 25, these churches and places have been visited—Church of the Messiah, North Santee ; St. Andrew's ; St. John's, Colleton ; Christ Church at Wilton : St. John's at Hampstead ; St. Peter's, Charleston ; Grace Church, Camden, on two days; St. David's, at Cheraw ; Trinity, at Society Hill ; St. Bartholomew's, at Walterboro' ; Prince William's, at McPhersonville ; Ascension at Gillionsville, on two days ; Holy Trinity, at Grahamville ; St. Paul's at Summerville ; St. Helena's, on the Island ; St. Helena's, at Beaufort ; St. Michael's ; and the Church on Edisto Island.\*

*Informal* visits were made to these churches and places—St. James', Goosecreek, on 2 days ; St. Paul's, Stono ; St. Paul's, Summerville, on 4 days, I officiated 5 times ; St. Thaddæus, at Aiken, on 9 days, I officiated 11 times ; St. Michael's, on 2 days ; St. Peter's ; St. Stephen's Chapel, at Pineville ; Church of the Epiphany, in St. John's Parish ; Darlington District, at Mr. McCall's school-house ; Darlington C. H.; Mars' Bluff, at the school-house ; Chapel at Walterboro', I officiated twice ; Trinity, at Columbia ; St. Andrew's Chapel in Christ Church Parish on three days ; St. Matthew's at Tottness ; Orangeburg, in a ~~visiting~~ ; St. John's at Hampstead, on two days ; Church of the Holy Communion, two days. In 1848, 14 places south of Charleston, and 19 north of and in, were canonically visited. In 1849, I desire to visit those places which were not visited in 1848, namely, south of Charleston 5, north of and in, 23, and the Clergymen, Vestries, and others concerned, are respectfully requested to consider this announcement as a canonical notice of my intention—the *particular* time to be stated by letter.

II. The number of persons confirmed on 27 occasions, some in private, was—of St. Andrew's Parish, 24 ; St. John's, Colleton, 53 ; St. Paul's, Pendleton, 1 ; St. Philip's Charleston, 27 ; Pineville and Upper St. John's, 47 ; St. John's, Hampstead, 18 ; of Amelia Island, 1 ; of St. Paul's, (Rad.) 23 ; St. Peter's, 6 ; Camden, 3 ; Cheraw, 5 ; Society Hill, 6 ; Walterboro', 6 ; McPhersonville, 3 ; Gillionsville, 3 ; Columbia, 7 ; Aiken, 11 ; Orangeburg, 1 ; Summerville, 5 ; Christ Church Parish, 5 ; Beaufort, 13 ; St. Helena Island, 1 ; St. Michael's, 19 ; St. Stephen's, Charleston, 9 ; Grace Church, Charleston, 1 ; Edisto Island, 42 ; in Florida, 7. Total 347.

III. The names of those received since last Convention as Candidates for Orders, are Paul Gervais Jenkins, and Benjamin Franklin Taylor, transferred from the Diocese of New-York. The whole number of candidates is six: the two above named, and J. G. Drayton, (whose state of health has prevented his applying for Holy Orders, although

\* Particulars of the visits were from time to time published in the *Gospel Messenger*.

his examinations have been satisfactorily concluded,) J. H. Elliott, A. Moore, and E. Wagner who is at our General Theological Seminary, the others are studying in conformity to Canon 10 of 1832.

IV. The names of those ordained, are, as Deacons, G. L. Platt, J. W. Simmons, J. D. McCollough, J. B. Seabrook, E. C. Logan, and C. T. Bland; and as a Presbyter, Rev. W. H. Hanckel.

V. "The changes among the Clergy," are as follows:

1848, Feb. 15. The Rev. J. W. Miles' letter of transference to this Diocese, from the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop in Turkey, was this day "accepted," by me.

Feb. 16. The Rev. W. W. Spear, was recognized by me as admitted into this Diocese, and the canonical notice of his election as Rector of Grace Church was transmitted to the Secretary, as required by Canon 30, Sec. 2d, of 1832.

The Rev. A. H. Cornish, has been elected Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton, and the notice to me, from the Vestry, disposed of according to the Canon.

The Rev. W. B. W. Howe has been elected Rector of St. John's Parish, Berkley, as I am informed, though not officially. The Rev. P. T. Babbitt, has been transferred to the Diocese of Connecticut, and the letter of dismission "accepted" by the Bishop of the same. The Rev. C. P. Gadsden, has been elected Assistant to the Rector of the United Churches in St. John's Parish, (Berkley,) viz:—Trinity, Epiphany, and St. Stephen's Chapel in St. Stephen's Parish, and the proper notice sent to me, was transmitted to the Secretary of the Convention. The Rev. N. P. Tillinghast has been transferred to, and received by the Bishop of Maryland. The Rev. J. Howard Smith, has been transferred from the Diocese of Virginia, and his letter of dismission has been "accepted" by me. I understand he has been elected Rector of the "Church of the Holy Trinity," Grahamville. The Rev. Thomas C. Dupont, late Missionary at St. Stephen's Chapel, has departed this life. There is but one opinion as to the faithfulness and zeal of this Presbyter, and both Laity and Clergy mourn his loss to the Church, and deeply sympathise with his family and flock. The Rev. H. Elwell, it is understood, will continue to officiate at Mars Bluff, and it is hoped will serve occasionally, the small congregation at Darlington Court-house, and at Bennettsville, Marlborough District, although his School is transferred from Mars Bluff to Society Hill. The Rev. J. Huntington, M. D., has returned from Europe in improved health. The Rev. M. H. Lance, during the summer and autumn, afforded essential services to the Mission at Anderson Court-house village, without any pecuniary compensation. The Rev. J. W. Miles has resigned the charge of St. John's, Colleton, and is engaged in Charleston, as associate in a school of long established reputation. The Rev. P. Trapier is officiating as Minister for the congregation called "Calvary Church;"—his self-denying and laborious services, cannot but be appreciated. The Rev. C. Wallace, has resigned the Rectorship of St. John's, Berkley, and is serving the Mission very acceptably and usefully at Stephen's Chapel, Charleston. The Rev. J. Obear, contemplates a removal from St. John's Church, Winnsboro', in consequence of the insufficiency of the maintenance. It is hoped that such measures may be adopted as will prevent the loss to the Diocese of this worthy pastor. The Rev. R. S. Seely, for the same reason, is seeking employment at the north. The Rev. I. Swart, has been invited to the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Jacksonville, and is officiating there, but I have not yet heard, whether he has been united to that diocese. The Rev. C. L. Johnson has resigned the Mission for Newberry and Laurens districts—the appropriation made for his expenses, there being inadequate. The Rev. C. B. Walker, to the great regret of many, has found himself compelled by ill-health, to resign the Rectorship of Trinity Church Edgefield. I cannot but indulge the hope of his recovery, and that he may be able, as

I am sure he will be willing, to resume his valuable clerical services. The Rev. J. S. Hanckel has ceased to be the Rector of St. Andrew's Parish. The Rev. C. H. Hall's letter of dismissal from the Diocese of New-York, has been "accepted" by me, and the official notice of his election as Rector of St. John's, Colleton, has been sent, as the Canon directs, to the Secretary.

VI. The Canon, under which this address is prepared, as its last item, requires me to state "in general, all matters tending to throw light on the state of the Diocese." One examination was held for Priest's Orders, and on nine occasions of candidates for Deacon's Orders. Two churches were consecrated, "Ascension Church" in Gillisonville; and "Grace Church" in Charleston,—assurance having been given to me, that there were no debts which might cause the alienation of these holy buildings. The particulars were published in the "Gospel Messenger." The success, which has attended the free Chapels, St. Stephen's, Charleston, and St. John's, Hampstead, induced some members of our Church to commence a similar institution which they have called "The Church of the Holy Communion," in Cannonsboro', which (and indeed the whole *western* part of Charleston, and its suburbs) is without such a church.

On thirteen occasions, various services were held, having more special reference to the class of servants, (white persons, however, being present,) namely, in St. Paul's, Stono, at the Church; in St. Andrew's, at Mr. N. R. Middleton's plantation, and at Mr. Magwood's; on John's Island, at Rev. J. W. Simmons'; in Wilton, at the Church; in St. Paul's, Stono, at Mr. B. Bailey's; in St. John's, Berkley, at Mr. S. Dubose's, and at Mr. T. Porcher's; in Hampstead, at St. John's Chapel; in Darlington, at Mr. McCall's; in St. James', Goosecreek, in the Church; in St. Matthew's, at Tottness in the Church; at Beaufort, in the lecture room; also in Charleston, generally; once a week at the Chapel in Glebe-street, or at St. Stephen's Chapel.—Of this class 201 were confirmed.

In my visitations, nothing was more gratifying to behold than the *Chapels*, which had been erected on plantations, at central points, for the more special accommodation of the blacks. There are now at least ten such Chapels—may they be greatly multiplied, and the day not distant, when each large plantation, or two or more smaller ones united, shall have a Chaplain, and "daily service." What a blessing might thence result to the proprietor, his children, his overseers and their children, his servants, and the poor whites in the neighborhood! In our "fatherland," the man of wealth has for his family and his servants their proper Chaplain, and appropriate Church. Why might it not be so in our land?

To the School founded by this Convention, I made a visit when in the city, once a week, for the first quarter of the year, at which period, it gives me pain to have to state, the Rev. Principal resigned, preferring a Rectorship in Connecticut, to which he was invited, and the Committee have not been able to obtain a successor. At the rates for tuition, set forth by the Committee, the School could not be sustained, without a larger number of pupils than it has been able to obtain, and therefore, unless it has some assistance by a fund, or donations, the prospect of its revival is not encouraging, and especially as there are institutions in our City and State bountifully aided by the "civil authorities," or endowed (as that at Waccamaw) by private liberality, and also private Schools of long established reputation.

The meetings of the three Societies, and also of the "Board of Trustees," named in former addresses, I have attended whenever I was in the city. The Board of Trustees, (of which the Bishop is Chairman) for the relief of "Aged and Infirm Clergy," have received of the collections made on "Thanksgiving day," as recommended by the Convention, a very small amount, as will be seen in the report. It appears that the collection was made in only three of the Churches. To provide in season for the probable contingency of many needing this charity seems expedient.

For the "day of Thanksgiving and Prayer," appointed by the civil authority, on the restoration of peace, according to usage, and Canon 47, a Collect, and an order of services were set forth by me. A "Circular," by request of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions, was addressed by me to the Clergy, recommending a collection for Missions on Advent Sunday—the undesignated amount, it was suggested, according to the usage of several of our Congregations, should be divided equally between the diocesan, domestic and foreign departments. It is obvious that by such an arrangement, no preference is given to either branch of the Missionary work, except so far as each contributor may choose to *designate* his donation.

A "Pastor's letter," in reference to the re-appearance of the "Cholera," in our country, was issued last month, and the prayer prepared on a like occasion in 1832, by our late venerated Bishop, was set forth to be used, in public worship, for a given time.

For Missions within South-Carolina, there was placed in my hands by Miss Pinckney and Mrs. Izard,	\$100 00
Mrs. Simons,	50 00
Mrs. Frierson,	15 00
Camden,	46 00
John's Island,	5 75
St. Helena Island,	25 00
Waccamaw,	40 00
Monthly Missionary Lecture,	23 00
Society Hill,	34 00
Prince Frederick's,	10 00
St. Philip's,	183 75
Pineville and Upper St. John's,	66 00
Columbia,	71 00
St. Matthew's,	5 87
St. Michael's,	15 08
Claremont,	28 20
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Amount not designated,	\$217 15
Balance from last year, (see Journal of 1848, page 19,)	113 75
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	\$330 90

Of this amount, there was paid for the Mission at St. Stephen's and St. John's,	
Charleston District,	\$66 00
Railroad Ticket for 9 months for the Missionaries,	60 00
Sullivan's Island in the winter and spring,	45 00
Glen Springs,	50 00
Newberry Mission,	80 00
Temporary Missions to Laurens and Barnwell,	39 00
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Received,	\$340 00
	330 90
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Excess,	\$9 10

The whole amount was contributed by 4 individuals and 12 congregations. There are in the Diocese 51 on the list of Parishes and Churches. To the two Missionary Societies in the Diocese, and the "General Missionary Society," several of the congregations and many individuals, do contribute a considerable amount. It is not without reflection, that I repeat a statement with a few alterations, from my address to the last Convention:—"There are only 19 Missionaries in this Diocese. In 8 of the districts in South-Carolina, there is not a single Minister of our Church, and in the remaining 21, (especially when we recollect the large population of the laboring class,) it is evident there is room for many Missionaries. May I not then reasonably request, that the members of this Convention will use their influence, to prevent the greater portion of the contributions of the benevolent, being diverted from the Missions at home, under

the erroneous impression, that the claims abroad are more pressing, or in any respect entitled to a preference. Let Churches, and Ministers, and Parochial Schools, and Bibles, and Prayer-books for distribution, be multiplied in South-Carolina, and the result would ultimately advance Missions in our sister States, and in foreign lands, far more than they can be by the present method of scattering our resources, now here, now there—planting a Mission and before it has taken root, abandoning it. The Missionaries near us, it must be permitted me to add, are not adequately maintained, and thus they are discouraged, and compelled to give more or less of their time and attention to secular employments. In the hope that, under the blessing of God, the sense of the obligation of promoting Missions, might be awakened or deepened, a statement of the condition, and prospects of the Missions under the direction of our branch of the Church has been prepared, and read by me at “the Monthly Missionary Lecture,” commenced by my respected predecessor in 1834, who prepared the prayer adapted to the occasion which is now used, and the fact that we specially invoke the direction and blessing of God on this sacred cause, is a sufficient motive for continuing the monthly meeting, although “only two or three be gathered together.” The correspondence of our Missionaries diocesan, domestic, and foreign, has been read in an abridged form, and though it is highly interesting, the result, either in the form of increase of the number of hearers, or of the collection, has not been encouraging. But we ever have the consolation: “If the work be of God, (as we humbly trust it is,) it cannot come to nought.” It is with the same view, in part at least, that is, to increase the interest in the advancement of the Church, that much of my time is given to assist in keeping up the Monthly Periodical of the Diocese, the “Gospel Messenger.” The usefulness, nay, the almost necessity of such a publication, as the medium of correspondence with different localities in the Diocese—as the depository of Church papers—as an intelligencer of Gospel news—and as a defender, and teacher for the Church, has been often brought to your notice, and I have now only to repeat the wish, and the hope, that it might have more contributors, readers, and subscribers. I add, that on reference to Canon 48, Sec. 2d, the necessity of some such publication will be seen, and that thanks are due, and hereby sincerely tendered to the few persons who sent me each \$10, to aid in paying the printer.

The number of miles travelled by me on diocesan duties was 4877, and as a visiter to Florida 1178—Total, 6055; and the number of letters received, most of which required answers, was 341. My official expenditures amounted to \$1,114; and it will be seen, by the statement on the table, that it includes payments for institutions deemed valuable. I pass to some statements of a more general nature.

In the address of 1845, page 28, your attention was invited to the measures which had been adopted by our General Convention to obtain an “Ecclesiastical History” of a higher character than any now extant, and to the gratifying fact, that the first of a prepared series of volumes had been stereotyped. It was stated also, that the reverend Historiographer had no salary, for the General Convention could offer him none; and that, to meet the unavoidable expenses of the publication, his sole dependance must be on the sale of it, and such contributions as Churchmen, collectively, or individually, might make; and that I had become responsible for one hundred copies of the first volume for this diocese; of which, I am informed by the bookseller, only 61 copies have been sold. The second volume, it is understood, is, or soon will be, ready for the press; but the issuing of a work promising so much usefulness and honor to our branch of the Church, cannot be, unless a sufficient number of subscribers are obtained. May I not ask members of this Convention, and of the diocese generally, to subscribe for one or more copies; and, I indulge the hope, that resolutions on the subject, may be prepared by some one present, for the action of this body. The General Convention passed the following resolution, viz:—“That it be, and is hereby earnestly recommended to the

members of the Church in the several Dioceses, to aid in carrying on the important work in which the Reverend Historiographer has been long engaged, (while serving the Church without any stipend whatever, at great expense of time and money, on his part, to its great credit and advantage,) by giving to him or his agents, their subscription as well for the introductory volume, which has already appeared, as for the forthcoming volume or volumes of his History.”\*

There are some principles at the foundation of our “ Ecclesiastical Polity,” to which for the important inferences to be deduced from them, I now ask your consideration. The “ Protestant Episcopal Church” is a confederacy, not a consolidation. Each diocese, in some respects, is independent of the confederacy, and, in all respects, of each of the other sister dioceses. Any measure which is beyond the limits of the delegated, or constitutional powers of the confederacy, is, of course, not an enactment, but a recommendation; it is not authoritative, but merely advisory. This is too plain to be denied. It is theoretically admitted by all. But I submit, is it practically regarded by all? A sister diocese has its own “ Ecclesiastical authority;” it regulates its own affairs. It has not a shadow of authority beyond its own precincts. Would it be consistent with this admitted proposition for one of the dioceses, or a parish, or an individual member of the same, to look to the bishop of another diocese, for the nomination of a minister, or for counsel, on that, or any other ecclesiastical business? Each diocese has, or may have, its own Theological Seminary; its own Missionary Society; its own Education, Bible, Prayer Book, Sunday School and Tract Society; its own monthly, or weekly, or daily periodical. Is it consistent in the members of a diocese to pass by the claims of the seminary, and the societies, and the periodical instituted, or sanctioned by the authorities of its own diocese, and to prefer, yea, to give their sympathy, and support, and influence, to the institutions founded and governed by another diocese, or by a few individuals in the same. We have in this diocese, Missionary arrangements; an Education Society; book and tract distributing Societies, and a monthly paper, all under the superintendence of the “ Ecclesiastical authority,” and controled by Church principles. Some of these institutions have not a single contributor, and no one of them has more than a very few subscribers, who are not of this diocese. They need assistance, they do not flourish as they might; as they would, if it was recognized that they are entitled to a preference; if the means of our people were not diverted to similar purposes in other dioceses—some of them *directed*, not by any diocesan, or parochial authority, but by the mere private judgment of a very few individuals. One reason of this preference may be, that our societies, auxiliary to the Church, are old, and the others comparatively new, attract more attention, and that their friends are more urgent in their applications. Let us profit by the example to diffuse information as to the important ends, and as to the valuable results of our venerable institutions for the defence and advancement of our common faith; and let us be active in persuading the mature to continue to be, and the young to become generous benefactors. With respect to charity beginning abroad rather than at home, it may be remarked also, that too often pecuniary relief is given to the stranger, rather than the relative—the foreigner rather than to the fellow-citizen. The importunate beggar from abroad, and the eloquent letter writer at a distance make successful appeals, while the far greater silent sufferer at our very door is utterly neglected. It is not doubted that the amount bestowed where the claims are inferior, if they be not doubtful, or worse, would tell largely for the comfort of the widow, the orphan, and others among us, whom a just self-respect prevents from making known their embarrassment or destitution. True charity is discriminating. It exercises the mind as well as the heart and the hand.—

\* Subscribers names will be received by A. E. MILLER, 5 Broad-street, or by many the Clergy.

Alms deeds, so earnestly recommended in one of our Homilies,\* to have their full efficacy, must be preceded by the consideration, intrinsically and relatively of the objects.

I proceed to another topic. It may be recollected, that my respected predecessor put forth a tract, entitled "Lay Ministriations not assumed without danger." The case too often occurs, where the "Bishops and other Clergy" have to utter a warning on this point. It is not a popular subject, but the words of truth and soberness, of which I now avail myself, ought to be listened to. The almost unequalled Hooker thus writes:—"The manifold confusion which they fall into, where every man's *private spirit and gift*, as they term it, is the only Bishop that ordaineth him to this Ministry; the irksome deformities whereby, through endless and senseless effusions of indigested prayers, they who are subject to no order, but pray both *what and how they list*, often disgrace, in most insufferable manner, the worthiest part of Christian duty towards God; to him, I say, who weigheth all these things, the reasons cannot be obscure, why God doth, in public prayer, so much regard the solemnity of *places where*, the authority and calling of *persons by whom*, and the precise appointment even *with what words and sentences*, His name shall be called on among his people." And our admirable Hobart—"We ought not to shut our eyes against what is passing around us in the Christian world. We may there see the consequences of certain principles and practices in those extravagances which are sweeping respectable religious communions with the besom of misrule; which have invaded, with ruthless step, the social and domestic sanctuary; and which have degraded and disgraced the cause of rational, serious and fervent piety. Brethren of the clergy and laity, as you love that cause, mildly, but firmly, zealously and perseveringly, oppose those principles and practices which would thus disgrace and degrade it; and adhere strictly and tenaciously to the doctrines and institutions of our own Church, with which this holy cause is identified. Experience here—experience, long experience, in that country from which we are descended—lifts her warning voice against all plans, however plausible, for reviving religion in our own Church, which are at variance with her institutions. These institutions set forth and enforce those great doctrines which constitute the Gospel the power of God—the sinfulness and guilt of man—his transformation by the renovating influences of the Divine Spirit—his salvation only through the merits and grace of a Divine Mediator. Our Church considers these merits, and this grace, as pledged and conveyed to the faithful in her authorized ministrations, and in her holy sacraments and ordinances. In her Daily Morning and Evening Prayer, she amply provides for all the occasions of public worship. In her Liturgy she supplies the most impressive and fervent language of devotion. It is not necessary to seek other public aids to piety than those which her institutions furnish; least of all to have recourse to those which are alien from her character. Let her doctrines be received into our hearts, and regulate our lives—let her institutions be faithfully enforced and practised—and we shall then discharge the sacred duty of preserving, in her purity, that Church which best exhibits genuine and primitive religion—and thus we shall finally attain the great end of our calling, the great business of the present state of probation—the salvation of our souls."

You are probably aware, my brethren, that Whitsunday in the present year, is a memorable epoch in the history of the "Anglican Catholic Church." It was on Whitsunday 1549, that the "Book of Common Prayer" which "the Times" called for, which had been prepared with much care, and which was so successfully completed, was for the first time used in public worship. The tercentenary anniversary of that event, (and we might say of the establishment of the Reformation in England,) in which we of the "P. E. Church of the United States of America," are not less deeply interested than our

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\* See Homily xi. 2 book p. 340.

brethren of the English branch of the Church, it has been thought, ought to be signalized, and no doubt will be, on both sides of the Atlantic and the Pacific Oceans. "It should be specially observed (writes the Bishop of Gibraltar,) as a day of Thanksgiving and Jubilee in our Churches, throughout the whole extent of the British Empire. "It should be the occasion of a great, simultaneous and universal effort for the wider extension of the ministry and services of the Church of England. It does not seem beyond the scope of a reasonable expectation, to say, that we might raise enough (for the dominions of Great-Britain include more than one hundred millions of persons,) "to furnish ten additional Bishops, and a hundred additional Clergy."

To the same effect, the Bishop of New-Jersey—"why should not our altars unite our "alms and our prayers, as a memorial before God? Why should not the American "Church combine on that day for the endowment of a Missionary Bishop?"

And the Bishop of Western New-York, carrying out the thought,—"I take the liberty "of suggesting that on the same day, sermons be preached, and collections be made "throughout the Church for Missions, to be equally divided between Foreign, Domestic, "and Diocesan Missions."

Our gladness for the precious inheritance of the Prayer-Book, and our gratitude to Him from whom do come all good things, can find no more appropriate, or acceptable expression than alms-giving. It is therefore, respectfully recommended, that on the approaching Whitsunday, in the sermon, the Clergy invite attention to the important facts connected with that anniversary, and that they improve the occasion to expatiate on the excellency of "the Book of Common Prayer," as an unrivalled manual of devotion, and expounder of Holy Scripture, and the great instrument of advancing the sacred cause of the blessed Reformation; and that for the further extension of the "one Catholic and Apostolic Church," the people be counselled to contribute for Missions, a portion of their property, the rich according to their abundance, and the poor as they can—the amount of the collection to be applied as each donor may designate, or if undesignated, as each Pastor may prefer—whether for a particular Mission, or class of Missions, the endowment for a Bishop to be sent to Africa or to California, or elsewhere.

On the 21st day of June next, nine years will have elapsed since my consecration to the Episcopate, and therefore the Charge, in conformity with the recommendation in Canon 27, ought soon to be made. It is prepared in part, but unavoidable circumstances have prevented its being finished. It will be, Providence permitting, before the date above named.

Out of the diocese, I have officiated as follows:—by invitation of the Convention and Standing Committee of the diocese of Florida a visitation was made to it in December; public worship and teaching was conducted on 16 occasions, at 3 of the churches, 3 neighbourhoods, and 2 plantations; 14 infants were baptized (7 white and 7 coloured); the children catechised 6 times; 7 persons Confirmed (white); and the holy Communion administered twice. The distance travelled was 1178 miles. By invitation of the Convention, I also presided at their stated annual meeting, for a part of the time.

At Savannah, in St. John's Church, on the 'Feast of St. Thomas', by request of the Rector (Rev. Rufus White) I baptized an infant, the grandchild of the late Rev. J. J. Tschudy of this diocese; and read the Ante-Communion.

"And now, brethren," respected and beloved, "I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified." (*Acts xx. 32.*) AMEN!

The Secretary re-appointed the Rev. P. T. Keith, his Assistant.

The Tellers for the election of Delegates to the General Convention, reported the re-election of the following gentlemen, viz :

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.,	Hon. R. F. W. Allston,
“ Thomas John Young	Dr. Benjamin Huger,
“ Paul Trapier,	C. G. Memminger, Esq.
“ Joseph R. Walker,	

and that there was no election in the case of one Lay Delegate for want of concurrence of the two orders.

The Committee on unfinished business reported as follows :

The Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave respectfully to Report :

That on consulting the Journal of last year, they find—1st, That it was referred to the Committee on Finance to inquire and report to this Convention what additions and amendments may be necessary in the 1st Standing Resolution—(see p. 39, Journal 1848,) a Resolution requesting the Bishop to ordain Deacons under the 6th Canon of the General Convention of 1844—laid upon the table in 1846 (see Journal 1846, p. 21) was again disposed of in the same manner the last year (Journal, p. 29, 1848.) 2dly, That a proposed amendment of the 3rd Article of the Constitution recommended in 1846, (see p. 22 of Journal 1846,) was also laid upon the table (see p. 29 Journal, 1848.) 3rdly, That the consent of this Convention is desired to a proposed change in the 1st Article of the Constitution of the Church, which will be found p. 240, of Journal of General Convention 1847.

Signed in behalf of the Committee.

J. S. HANCKEL, *Chairman.*

The Resolution requesting the Bishop to ordain Deacons under the 6th Canon of 1844, (5th Canon of 1847) was taken up. After debate, this matter was suspended till after the election of a Lay Delegate to the General Convention.

The Tellers reported a non-concurrence of the two orders.

The vote was taken a third time, and the election failed, from there being a *tie* in the votes of the Clergy.

The vote was a fourth time taken, when the Hon. R. W. Barnwell was declared to be elected.

During the counting of the votes, the Treasurer of the Fund for the support of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, reported as follows :

Dr. Fund for the Relief of Aged and Inferm Clergymen, in account with JAS. R. PRINGLE, Treasurer of the Trustees. Cr.

Charleston, 14th February, 1849.

JAMES R. PRINGLE, *Treasurer of the Trustees.*

The Resolution requesting the Bishop to ordain Deacons under the 5th Canon of 1847, was resumed. After debate, the vote being taken by orders, resulted as follows :

Of the Clergy, Ayes ten (10.) Noes eighteen (18.) Of the Laity, Ayes two (2.) Noes fifteen (15.) Divided two (2.)

So the Resolution was lost in both orders.

The proposed change in the Constitution was indefinitely postponed.

The proposed change in the time of meeting of the General Convention was agreed to.

The Rev. A. L. Converse moved, that the next Convention be held at Columbia. The question being taken by orders resulted as follows :

Of the Clergy, Ayes nine (9.) Noes twenty-three (23.) Of the Laity, Ayes three (3.) Noes ten (10.) Divided two (2.)

So the Resolution was lost in both orders.

The Bishop being necessarily called away from the Convention called the Rev. A. L. Converse to the Chair.

On motion, the Resolution of the Rev. Mr. Glennie as to the time of the next meeting of Convention, was reconsidered.

The Rev. Mr. Young moved that the Convention meet on the *third Wednesday of February* next.

The Rev. A. H. Cornish moved to amend this resolution by inserting instead of "*the third Wednesday of February*," the words, "*last Wednesday of January*." The amendment was lost. The question recurring on the Resolution of Mr. Young, it was carried.

The Finance Committee reported as follows :

The Committee on Finance respectfully report, that they have examined the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Convention Fund, and find the same correct and properly stated. The balance in the Treasurer's favor, is \$4.13. The net increase of the Fund is \$552.63, arising solely from receipts of interest and dividends.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD R. LAURENS,  
A. ROBERTSON.

The Committee on Finance respectfully report, that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, and find the same correct, and properly and fully vouched. The balance in the Treasurer's hands, at the close of the last fiscal year, is \$101.67.

EDWARD R. LAURENS.  
A. ROBERTSON.

The Treasurer of the Bishop's Funds, reported as follows :

DR. *Bishop's Permanent Fund, in acc't. with THOS. G. SIMONS, JR., Treasurer.* CR.

1848	To Common Fund, for 3-4ths Interest and Di- vidends received, " Incidental Expenses, " Balance in Treasurer's hands, - - -	\$837 23 55 81 757 70 ----- \$1,650 74	1848	By Balance from last year, - - - " Interest and dividends, ----- \$1,650 74	\$534 43 1,116 31 ----- \$1,650 74
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DR. *Bishop's Common Fund, in acc't with THOS. G. SIMONS, JR., Treasurer.* CR.

1848	To Cash paid Bishop of the Diocese, four quarters salary, to 1st Oct., 1848, To Cash paid A. E. Miller, printing two quires of receipts, - - - - - To Cash paid Treasurer's Commissions on the re- ceipts of the year, \$525, at 5 per cent., - - - - - " Balance in Treasurer's hands for next year,	1,500 00 1 50 26 25 274 02 ----- \$1,801 77	1848	By Balance from last year, " Cash received from the following Churches, viz: St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island, Prince William's Par., 1848, St. Andrew's Parish, St. Helena, Beaufort, Claremont, - - - St. James, James Island, St. Luke's, St. Luke's Par. Prince George, Winyaw, Christ Church, - - - St. John's, Berkley, - - - St. Peter's, Charleston, - - - Grace Church, Camden, - - - Pineville & Up'r St. John's, - - - Christ Chnrch, Wilton, - - - Trinity Church, Columbia, - - - Edisto Island Church, - - - Prince Frederick, Pee Dee, - - - St. John's Church, John's Is. - - - St. Bartholomew's, - - - Trinity Ch., Society Hill, - - - Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville, - - - ----- Total from Churches, - - - By Permanent Fund, for 3-4ths of income rec'd, - - - ----- \$1,801 77	\$439 54 10 00 10 00 35 00 20 00 5 00 15 00 50 00 5 00 100 00 10 00 10 00 15 00 30 00 50 00 5 00 50 00 25 00 5 00 15 00 ----- \$525 00 837 23 ----- \$1,801 77
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Examined and found correct,  
Signed,

PAUL T. GERVAIS,  
HENRY D. LESESNE.

January 24, 1849.

DR. *Bishop's Convention Fund, for increase of Bishop's Permanent Fund, 1848-9.* CR.

1848	To Investments, - - - " Incidental expenses, - - -	\$894 00 33 95 ----- \$927 95	1848	By Balance from last acc't., " By State Stock, redeem'd " Inter't & Div'ds collected, ----- \$927 95	\$166 32 175 00 536 63 ----- \$927 95
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Increase of Fund, - - - - - \$552 63.

Examined and found correct,

EDWARD R. LAURENS,  
A. ROBERTSON.

The Committee on Calvary Church reported as follows:

The Committee on Calvary Church respectfully report, that on the 5th March last, a congregation was collected together; and divine service was held by the minister, the Rev. Paul Trapier, every Sunday morning and afternoon, from that time till the middle of July in the chapel in St. Philip's Parsonage, kindly lent to the Committee by the Bishop. About that time, the Bishop gave up his lease of the Parsonage, and the Committee hired the large room in Meeting street, known as Temperance Hall, where service has, in like manner, been regularly held ever since.

The attendance of *white* persons is about 25 in the morning, and about 50 in the afternoon, of whom 23 are reported by the minister to be in pastoral connexion with the congregation. Of *black* and *colored* persons, there are generally from 30 to 40 present in the morning, and about 100 in the afternoon, exclusive of the members of the Sunday School. Of these there have been received up to this time, 276, belonging to 121 owners, by all of whom consent has been given, in writing or otherwise. Forty of the children are free, and of the slaves in the School, 40 are adults. There are eighteen teachers, (white of course) in the School, and the average attendance of scholars is about 120. In the summer, the number sometimes amounted to 175, but during the winter, it has been less, generally not exceeding 80 or 90. The instruction is oral, and a ticket is given every Sunday to each scholar to be shown to the owners of such of them as are slaves.

On some evening in the week, the minister receives at his house those who are desirous of being prepared for Confirmation or the Holy Communion. He reports 6 women, and 2 men, as under instruction accordingly, but does not yet consider them qualified. He has received three as communicants, who have come from other congregations, and ten of the white members of the congregation are communicants.

The meetings of the congregation have been held with the knowledge of the municipal authority; and in compliance with the request of the Committee, one of the City Guard has always been stationed near the place of worship, as at other Churches, during divine service, to ensure the preservation of order; tho' happily interference has never been rendered necessary by the behaviour of the people.

Your Committee believe that, while nothing has occurred to realize the apprehensions of those who have regarded the plan as unwise or injudicious, the people who have been the subjects of the instruction, have derived much benefit and improvement, and they confidently submit, that the results now laid before the Convention justify fully the Resolution which was so cordially passed at the last meeting. The enterprise too, has been conducted under unfavourable circumstances, on account of the want of a suitable and permanent place of worship. Many have been deterred from attaching themselves to the congregation from that cause. The Committee, therefore, feel strongly the necessity of erecting a proper Church edifice, and have accordingly contracted to have one built of brick, 70 feet long, by 40 wide, on the lot at the corner of Beaufain and Wilson streets, of the purchase

of which the Convention was informed at its last meeting. In doing this before the subscription list contains enough to meet the entire cost, they have departed somewhat from their first determination. But the importance of the object seemed to demand it.

The sum total of subscriptions obtained, amounts to	\$4,469.18
Of this they have expended for lot	\$1200.00
For Minister's salary, Room rent, } printing, and sundry other expenses }	647.07
	1,847.07

Leaving in hand, in cash and subscriptions, a balance of \$2,622.11 to be applied to the building, which is to cost \$3,600, including the expense of piling for the foundation, which has been determined to be necessary.

Since the last meeting of the Convention, the Committee have not made any systematic effort to procure subscriptions. Those which have been added to the list, amounting to upwards of \$1800, have been given spontaneously by persons who have become acquainted with the working of the plan, and satisfied that it will answer the expectations of its friends. Even greater zeal, it is believed, would have been manifested in the cause, but for the apprehension entertained to some extent, that the enterprise would be abandoned. Now, that such an earnest is given (in a contract to build, actually entered into,) of the determination, with God's help, to carry it through, your Committee, confidently expect that the existing deficiency will readily be made up.

Respectfully reported,  
HENRY D. LESESNE, *Chairman.*

The Report was received as information.

On motion *Resolved*, That the first standing Resolution be re-committed to the Committee on Finance, with directions to report to the next Convention what alterations and amendments may be necessary in it.

On motion of the Assistant Secretary.

*Resolved, unanimously*, that the thanks of this Convention be tendered to Miss Bacot, the Organist of St. Michael's Church for her very acceptable services during its session.

*Resolved*, That the usual compensation be paid to the Sexton of St Michael's Church.

*Resolved*, That the usual number of the Journals be printed.

After suitable Collects, by the President *pro tempore*, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

C. E. GADSDEN, *President.*

Attest,

C. WALLACE, *Secretary.*

## PAROCHIAL AND OTHER REPORTS.

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### REPORT OF THE BISHOP.

*St. Philip's Church.*

Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden, Rector.

The Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 3 colored adults; 18 white children; 8 colored; total, 30. Marriages, 2 white; 5 colored; total, 7. Burials, 22 white; 5 colored; total, 27. Communicants, 292 white; 138 colored; total 430. Non-Communicants, 290 white; colored not known. Children under 14, 226 white; colored, not known. Families, 167 white; colored, not known. Families belonging also to other Congregations, not ascertained. Children catechised on 32 days, about 70 white; about 20 colored; total, 90. Confirmed by the Bishop, 18 white; 8 colored; total, 26. Sunday School Teachers, 17 white; 14 colored; total, 31. Number of Scholars, 75 white; 80 colored; total, 155. Public worship, St. Philip's Church; number of Sundays, 52; number of other days, 137; whole number of times, 245.

**REMARKS.**—*Number of members.*—The baptisms exceed the deaths. Several families have left the congregation, but others though not as many have been added to it.

*Baptisms.*—The number of the baptized, who are colored persons, is less than usual, owing perhaps, to the increased accommodation for this class, in other Episcopal congregations.

*Catechising.*—It was “openly, in the Church” for the *children*, on the Sundays and Fridays in Advent, Lent, and twelve more days in the Summer, (two inclement weeks at Advent excepted, which were supplied by other occasions,) but we notice with great regret, a smaller attendance. There was instruction for *grown persons*, by questions on the Bible and Prayer-Book twice a month.

*Sunday Schools.*—The Rector, or Assistant Minister says prayers, and teaches in them on every occasion.

*Holy Communion.*—It was administered on 15 Sundays, also on Christmas, and Ascension days, and in private, 6 times.

*Charity.*—The Alms at the Holy Communion, amounted this year to only \$300, less than last year by \$160; but the deficiency (which might have created serious inconvenience to our poor,) was, in part, supplied by donations amounting to \$63.

*Missions.*—The collections for Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign, amounted to \$710 3 cts.; much less, we regret to report, than in former years.

*Special Collections* were had for the "Advancement Society, (amount \$70 65) for "aged and infirm Clergy" (amount \$66 82,) and for the Bishop's Fund, \$53. Gifts were placed in the hands of the Rector as follows: a Lady's "thank offering," \$5; for a sick stranger, a Clergyman, \$25; for the poor generally, a Legacy from a Lady, \$100; and a donation from a gentleman, \$100; also, for Missions from one Lady, \$50; from two others, \$100. Members of this flock have contributed, more or less, to the three general institutions of the Church, and to eight in the Diocese, the same named in the report for 1847; also, to the "Church Orphan House," instituted by the late Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel. The quota for the Episcopal office has been paid (\$53 by a collection in the Church, and the balance by the Vestry; ) total, \$250.

*Week day Services.*—They were, as heretofore, on the thirty-six "Holy days;" also, on Fridays, and on Mondays; these last being added to complete the arrangement, whereby, in one or other of our Churches, in or near the city, the privilege of "daily service can be had. To accommodate those who can attend only at night, "Evening prayer" is held on Wednesdays, in St. Stephen's Chapel; the use of which, since the suspension of the services at the Chapel of "the School of the Diocese," has been kindly granted to the Rector.

## REPORTS OF THE PRESBYTERS, ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY.

### *Christ Church, Greenville.*

The Rev. Thomas Simmons Arthur, Rector.

Baptisms—7 white children; 6 colored; total, 13. Marriages, 4 white; 1 colored; total, 5. Burials, 3 white. Communicants, 46 white; 11 colored; total, 57. Con-Communicants, 30 white. Children under 14, 60 white; 15 colored; total, 75. Families, 35 white; 6 colored; total, 41. Children catechised, 12 white. Sunday School Teachers, 6 white. Number of Scholars, 45 white. Public Worship, Christ Church; number of Sundays, 45; number of other days, 15; whole number of times, 60.

### *St. Peter's Church, Charleston.*

The Rev. Wm. H. Barnwell, Rector.

Baptisms—2 colored adults; 19 white children; 2 colored children total, 23. Marriages, 7 white; 6 colored; total, 13. Burials, 13 white; 3 colored; total, 16. Communicants, 184 white; 44 colored; total, 228. Non-Communicants, 160 white; about 100 colored; total, about 260. Children under 14, 200 white; about 80 colored; total, 280. Families, 126 white; about 32 colored; total, 158. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 16. Children catechised, about 40 white; about 60 colored; total, about 100. Confirmed by the Bishop, 3 white; 3 colored; total, 6. Number of

Teachers, 29 white. Number of Scholars, 117 white; 120 colored; total, 237. Public Worship, St. Peter's Church, number of Sundays, 47; number of other days, 54; total, 157. Lecture Room, 5 Sundays; number of other days, 10; total, 20; whole number of times, 177.

*Church at Claremont.*

The Rev. A. L. Converse, Rector.

Baptisms—28 colored adults; 4 white children; 63 colored; total, 95. Marriages, 4 white. Burials, 8 white. Communicants, 35 white; 80 to 100 colored; total, say 115. Non-Communicants, 49 white. Children under 14, 20 white. Families, 29 white. Children catechised 7 days, 10 white. Public Worship, Church at Claremont; number of Sundays 45; number of other days, 9; whole number of times, 54.

REMARKS.—The Rector has been necessarily absent about a month in the past year. The Lord's Supper has been administered once a month, and on Christmas and Good Friday. Seven white Communicants have removed, and two have died since the last report of this Parish, while only three persons have been added to the Communion. Week-day Prayers, and Lectures during Lent, were but thinly attended. Very small collections for Missionary and other charitable objects have been made. The black people have been specially instructed as usual, and many children and adults have been baptized. The number of black Communicants varies according to circumstances, from fifty to eighty, and their number is continually changing by death and removal.

*St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.*

The Rev. A. H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white children; 1 colored; total, 4. Marriages, 4 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 28 white; 4 colored; total, 32. Non-communicants, about 25 white. Children under 14, 20 white. Families, 18 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 1 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Number of Scholars, 15 white. Public Worship, Trinity Church, Abbeville, 14 times. St. Paul's Church, Pendleton, 51 times. Anderson, C. H., 2 days. Greenville, 1 day: total, 68.

REMARKS.—The Holy Communion, once at Abbeville; 10 times at Pendleton; total, 11. Prayers every Wednesday during Lent; and on Good Friday, Prayers and Sermon; Thanksgiving, (Church day,) Prayers and Sermon; Sunday School and Bible Class, part of the year. Attendance very irregular—hope for better things in time to come. Want of health kept me from bestowing upon the class of servants their due share of attention. Having given up the Academy which I have taught the past year, I shall, in future, have more time to devote to their spiritual interests. An excellent *Organ* has just been procured by the Ladies of the Parish, at a cost of upwards of \$300. Nearly \$600 have been,

during the year, contributed by the Parish, for various purposes connected with the Church. At Anderson Court House there are 5 families belonging to the Church, and 7 communicants; the nucleus, we trust, of large and flourishing congregations.

*St. Thaddæus Church, Aiken.*

The Rev. John H. Cornish, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms—4 white adults; 8 white children, 3 colored; total, 15. Burials, 5 white adults; 1 colored; total, 6. Communicants, 23 white; 7 colored; total, 30; (added, 10 white; 1 colored; received 2 white, 3 colored; lost by death, 3; by removal, 8; total 11.) Communion administered in public, 16 times; in private, 3; total, 19. Non-communicants, not known. Children under 14, not known. Families, 14 white; 2 colored; total, 16. Children catechised frequently in the Church at the close of the Sunday School. Confirmed by the Bishop, 10 white; 1 colored; total, 11. Number of Sunday School Teachers, 3. Number of Scholars, 25 white; 12 colored; total, 37. Public Worship, St. Thaddæus Church, 53 Sundays; 48 other days; total, 155. Joice Branch, 1 Sunday; 11 other days; total, 12. Polecat Pond, 3 other days. Graniteville, 3 Sundays. Barnwell C. H., 2. Whole number of times, 175.

REMARKS.—At Joice's Branch, a Sunday School was organized, and taught during the Summer, by a candidate for Holy Orders, Mr. C. T. Bland, with very encouraging success, but since his ordination and departure, it has, for want of a teacher, been discontinued. At Barnwell Court House, a congregation has been organized under the name of "The Church of the Holy Apostles."

*Trinity Church, Society Hill.*

The Rev. M. A. Curtis, Rector.

Baptisms—8 white children. Burials, 1 colored. Communicants, 16 white; 3 colored; total, 19. Non-communicants, 11 white. Children under 14, 46 white. Families, 13 white. Children catechised, 15 white, on 2 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6 white. Sunday School Teachers 3 white. Number of Scholars, 3 to 10 white; 12 to 15 colored. Public Worship, Trinity Church; number of Sundays, 48; number of other days, 30; whole number of times, 78.

REMARKS.—The report of religious services extends to the first Sunday in December. The services for the remaining four Sundays of the year, and for the festival of the Nativity, were performed, the Rector being confined by sickness, by the Rev. Messrs. Elwell and McCullough.

*Grace Church, Camden.*

The Rev. Thos. F. Davis, Rector.

Baptisms—1 adult, 3 infants; total 4. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Confirmations, 3. Communicants, added 4; withdrawn, 3; present number, 35. Sunday School Scholars, 25. Families, 26.

REMARKS.—\$101.25 have been contributed for Missions ; \$63 for charities. The children of the congregation are examined by the Rector on one Sunday after divine service each month.

*St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's.*

The Rev. W. Dehon, Rector,  
The Rev. C. P. Gadsden, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—39 colored adults. Children, 5 white adults, 24 colored ; total, 68. Marriages, 1 white ; 2 colored ; total, 3. Burials, 6 white ; 1 colored ; total, 7. Communicants, 63 white ; 75 colored ; total, 138. Children under 11, 80 white. Families, 47. Children catechised 30 days, 12 white ; 6 colored ; total, 18. Confirmed by the Bishop, 8 white ; 39 colored, total, 47. Sunday School Teachers, 11 white. Number of Scholars, 35 white. Public Worship, Epiphany Church ; number of Sundays, 17 ; number of other days, 1 ; whole number of times, 18. St. Stephen's Chapel, 38 ; number of other days, 61 ; whole number of times, 117. Trinity ; number of Sundays, 18 ; number of other days, 2 ; whole number of times, 20. Pinopolis ; number of Sundays, 15 ; number of other days, 1 ; total, 183.

REMARKS.—In addition to the services mentioned above, there have been held on the plantations 133 services, of which 89 were on the afternoons and evenings of the Lord's day, and the remaining 44 on other evenings in the week. The Holy Communion has been administered 21 times in public, and 2 in private. The alms collected have amounted to about \$200 ; and the amount contributed for missions—Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign, have been near \$400. The Rev. C. P. Gadsden, having accepted an invitation to become the Assistant Minister of the Parish, entered upon his duties in the month of January.

*St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs.*

The Rev. Charles P. Elliott, Rector.

Baptisms—7 white children ; 24 colored children ; 10 colored adults ; total, 41.

REMARKS.—In the year 1848, I officiated every Sunday, and 12 week days, including Ash Wednesday and Christmas day. I officiated at Bradford Springs 21 Sundays at the Hebron Church, 10 ; at the Church of Col. J. J. Moore, 10 ; at Charleston, 4 ; at Stateburg, 4 ; at Zoar Church, 2 ; to a colored congregation near Manchester, 2. The number of miles I travelled this year to fulfil my ministerial engagements is 1448 ; the whole number of times that I held divine service is 94. "St. Philip's Bradford Springs" is at this time, decidedly in a more flourishing and prosperous condition than it has been since it was first organized as a Parish ; and there is a fair prospect of increased prosperity ; for which, let God be praised, who is the author of all good. My efforts, "the Lord being my helper," to establish an Episcopal Church in Clarendon at the Hebron Church, have not been as successful as I had anticipated. The decided and persevering opposition which has been manifested against the accomplishment of this

object, has thus far, frustrated my attempt. But that the object will, by divine power, be ultimately and completely accomplished, I firmly believe. The number of persons who continue steadfast and unwavering in their attachment and adherence to our Church, and who are willing and anxious to do every thing in their power to co-operate in effecting the object we desire, are sufficient to constitute the nucleus or foundation of an Episcopal Church. And we may humbly hope, that by the blessing of God through Christ, that this "little flock," will yet increase in numerical strength. The colored congregation who worship stately at the Church of Col. J. J. Moore, consist chiefly of his slaves; and I think, the number who usually attend divine worship, vary from 150 to 200 persons. In the regular exercise of my ministry among these persons, I have been much encouraged; the fruits and evidences of good effected through the influence of the Holy Ghost, are very manifest, and enough to authorize the belief, that among these people, "my labour is not in vain in the Lord," but that my ministry has been blessed to their spiritual and eternal good. I officiate at present, at four different places, and have under my spiritual charge four congregations, two white and two colored; I officiate at Bradford Springs, at the station in Clarendon, at the Hebron Church, and the Church of Col. J. J. Moore, and to a congregation of colored persons, consisting of about 150 who worship near Manchester, and whose religious instruction I have recently undertaken.

In regard to pecuniary compensation for ministerial services rendered, I state, that the whole sum, comprehending what has actually been paid, and what is now due for the present year of 1848, together with the two preceding years of 1847 and 1846, amounts to \$839; and this report which exhibits a correct statement of my services and labours in the Gospel ministry for 1848, is given in sincere gratitude to God for having blessed me through that year with life, health, and strength; and for continuing to employ me in the services of his Church, as a humble and unworthy instrument in promoting the grand purposes of that glorious Church.

*Darlington District.*

The Rev. H. Elwell, Missionary.

Reports that during the past year, the services of the Church have been held 84 times; and the Lord's Supper has been administered 7 times, at Mar's Bluff, in the building which answers the double purpose of an Academy and place of worship. At this station, the number of communicants is 5 white and 2 colored; of the former, 1 has left the neighborhood during the year, and 1 has been added. The morning congregation has usually consisted of from 25 to 35 white persons, including children; and the afternoon congregation of, from 60 to 80 colored persons. The number of baptisms of white children has been 7. In addition to the duty performed at Mar's Bluff, two services have been held at Darlington C. H., and on ten occasions assistance has been given to the Rector of Trinity Church, Society Hill; on several of which he was confined to his house by sickness. In this duty,

the Missionary gratefully acknowledges the aid rendered to him by the Rev. J. McCollough, who preached several times, and assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper.

*Christ Church Parish.*

The Rev. John R. Fell, Rector.

Baptisms----1 colored adult. Children, 1 white ; total, 2. Marriages, 2 white ; 1 colored ; total, 3. Burials, 1 white ; 2 colored ; total, 3. Communicants, 30 white ; 12 colored ; total, 42. Non-communicants, 11 white. Families, 14 white. Children catechised at sundry times, 21 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white ; 4 colored. Sunday School Teachers, 3 white. Number of Scholars, 21 white. Public Worship, Parish Church, 26 Sundays ; 4 other days ; total, 30. St. Andrew's Chapel, 35 Sundays ; 18 other days ; total, 73.

REMARKS.—Collected for Missions, \$43 44. Since my last Report, several new residents have come into the Parish, who are connected with the Church. The white portion of the congregation is however, still small, and a few individuals, either from circumstances, or a want of disposition, seldom or never attend public worship. The Rector regrets this, but presumes that it is no new discouragement peculiar to his own field of labor. He finds two great drawbacks to his accomplishing much among the negroes. 1st, Their strong attachment to other religious denominations, under whose influence they have for a long time been. 2ndly, The want of private chapels, or other suitable and convenient places for instructing them on the plantations.

*St. Paul's Church, Stono ; and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.*

The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white children; 16 colored ; total, 19. Burials, 6 white. Marriages, 1 white and 1 colored ; total, 2. Communicants, 18. Non-communicants, 28 white. Children under 14, 47 white. Families, 19 white. Children catechised on the first Sunday of the month through the summer, 12 to 15 white. Sunday School Teachers, 4, including the Rector. Number of Scholars, 20 to 28 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 white. Public Worship, 68 times.

*St. James Church, Goose Creek.*

The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Visiter.

Divine Service has been held in the course of the year, nine times. There are 3 Episcopal families residing part of the year in the Parish—2 or 3 Communicants. The white Congregation numbers 20 or more. Those who attend our services express a desire that they should be continued. The Church is as well attended and even better, during the winter season, than other Churches in which I officiate more regularly.

*All-Saints, Waccamaw.*

The Rev. Alexander Glennie, Rector.

Baptisms—11 colored adults. Children, 2 white ; 131 colored ; total, 144. Marriages, 8 colored. Burials, 6 white ; 6 colored ; total,

12. Communicants, 40 white; 148 colored; total, 188. Non-communicants, 40 white. Children under 14, 42 white. Families, 24 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 7 white. Children catechised on 14 days, 17 white; on 90 days, 260 colored; total, 277. Public Worship, Parish Church of All-Saints, 25 Sundays; 9 other days; total, 34. Southern Parish Church, 19 Sundays; 6 other days; total, 25. At the Summer Retreat, 5 Sundays. Services on plantations, 156; total, 220.

REMARKS.—The Lord's Supper was administered in the Churches fifteen times. On plantations, 4; total, 19. The collections at the Lord's Supper, and for missionary purposes, amounted to \$433 83. In the month of November, I engaged the Rev. C. T. Bland to aid me in my missionary duties upon several of the plantations. During this year, a Chapel of sufficient size, to contain more than two hundred persons, has been erected on one of the plantations. It will be opened for Divine Service in January. This is the fourth Chapel which has been built for the benefit of the negroes.

*Parish of St. David's, Cheraw.*

The Rev. Alexander Gregg, Rector.

Baptisms—6 white children; 4 colored; total, 10. Marriages, 6 white; 3 colored; total, 9. Burials, 15 white; 7 colored; total, 22. Communicants, 19 white; 3 colored; total, 22. Non-communicants, about 50 white; colored, uncertain; children under 14, 60; families, 26; belonging to other Congregations, 3. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white; number of scholars, 40 white; colored, varying from 20 to 30; confirmed by the Bishop, white, 3; colored, 2; total, 5. Public Worship, St. David's, 53 Sundays; 13 other days; total, 66. On plantations, and at other places, 25; whole number of times, 125. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$27.58. Domestic Missions, \$46.00; Foreign Missions, \$69.00.

REMARKS.—On the Sundays during the summer, service was held in the morning only. In the afternoon, about fifteen white children received religious instruction at my residence in the country. It gives me pleasure to state, that a new and very neat and substantial church yard fence has been built, to which the citizens of the town generally, contributed. The yard being used as a common burial ground; and also, that the Church is being thoroughly repaired at considerable expense. By some material alterations, its interior appearance has been improved, and the gallery set apart exclusively to the colored people, which change has already led to a larger and more regular attendance with them than before.

*Parish of St. John's, Colleton.*

The Rev. Charles H. Hall, officiating.

Baptisms—32 colored adults; 26 colored children; total, 58. Communicants, 55 white; 401 colored; total, 456. Non-communicants, about 54 white; colored, not known; total, 54. Children under 14, about 60 white; colored, not known; total, 60. Families, 50 white;

colored, not known. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 4 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 white; 48 colored; total, 53.

REMARKS.—The Rev. J. W. Miles, Rector of this Church until the summer, and whose official acts are here reported, left the following note in the register.—“ Since the 1st of December, 1847, services have been regularly held in the Church, except one or two Sundays; also, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday; and the Communion has been regularly celebrated once a month, and on Christmas day. It was administered twice in private, once to an old slave at Mr. Simmons’s plantation, and once to a dying slave, at Mr. J. M. Jenkins’s plantation. Services have been held in the Church since the twentieth Sunday after Trinity, 1848, the following Sunday only excepted. The Holy Communion once a month; also, once to a dying slave at Mr. Hugh Wilson’s plantation. Mr. Augustus Moore, a candidate for Orders, acts as Catechist on several of the plantations, and instructs the negroes three Sundays of every month.”

*Parish of St. Paul’s Church, Radcliffeborough.*

The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D., Rector.

J. S. Hanckel, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—28 white children; 5 colored; total, 33. Marriages, 7 white; 1 colored; total, 8. Burials, 13 white. Communicants, 265 white; 61 colored; total, 326. Non-communicants, 379 white; 102 colored; total, 481; children under 14, 314 white; 117 colored; total, 431. Families, 220 white; 45 colored; total, 265. Families belonging also to other Congregations, not known. Children catechised eighteen days, about 60 white; about 35 colored. Confirmed by the Bishop, 12 white; 10 colored; total, 22. Sunday School Teachers, 15 white; 4 colored; total, 19. Number of Scholars, about 80 white; about 40 colored; total, 120. Public Worship, St. Paul’s, twice each Sunday, and on Wednesdays, Fasts and Festivals.

*Protestant Episcopal Church, Edisto and Edingsville.*

The Rev. W. H. Hanckel, Rector.

Baptisms—3 colored adults; 4 white children; 1 colored; total, 8. Marriage, 1 colored. Burials, 3 white, 1 colored; total, 4. Communicants, 42 white; 110 colored; total, 152. Non-communicants, 53 white; 100 colored; total, 153. Children under 14, 60 white. Families, 25 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 7 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white; 41 colored; total, 43. Sunday School Teachers, 13 white. Number of Scholars, 20 white; 80 colored; total, 100. Public Worship, Protestant Episcopal Church, Edisto, number of Sundays, 29; other days, 3; total 32. St. Stephen’s Chapel, Edingsville, 21 Sundays; other days, 18; total, 71.

REMARKS.—In addition to the above services, I have officiated sixty times for the negroes on different estates. This Parish, we are sorry to state, has lost several families by removal.

*Prince George, Winyah.*

The Rev. R. T. Howard, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 9 white ; 3 colored ; total, 12. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 2 white ; Communicants, 38 white ; 12 colored ; total, 50. Non-communicants, 50 white. Children under 14, 56. Families, 35 white. Children catechised, after Sunday School, at times. Sunday School Teachers, 2 white. Number of Scholars, 5 white ; 7 colored ; total, 12. Public Worship ; the principal Festivals and Passion Week, were religiously observed.

REMARKS.—Divine Service was regularly performed every Sunday morning and afternoon, from October 15th to June 15th. After that time, I removed to North Island, where I officiated every Sunday afternoon, to about fifteen persons in all. Almost every year, we lose one or more families by emigration.

*Parish of Prince Frederick's.*

The Rev. Joseph Hunter, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 3 white ; 30 colored ; total, 33. Burials, 1. Communicants, 16 white ; 3 colored ; total, 19. Non-communicants, 23 white ; colored, unknown ; total, 23. Children under 14, 31 white. Families, 15 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 10 white. Children catechised, 35 times, different classes, 90. Number of Sunday School Scholars, 8. Public Worship, Prince Frederick's, 26 Sundays ; number of other days, 20 ; whole number, 46. Plantersville Chapel, 13 Sundays ; total, 59.

REMARKS.—During the past year, the contributions have been : For Domestic Missions, \$72 ; Diocesan, \$10 ; for the Jews, \$6—Total, 88. In addition to the above, since my last report, the Parish has expended about \$2,000, in erecting a good and convenient summer Parsonage, and placing around the Church, a substantial fence. The interest which has been manifested in making provision for the clergyman, where he can remain in comfort and safety the whole year, gives the pledge that this Parish has become a permanent one, and that it will never remain long without some one to minister at its altar. It has also been found necessary to place additional pews in the Church. Indeed, every thing presents a most promising appearance, and should incite us to greater efforts in the service of Him, who is the dispenser of every blessing, that there may be a corresponding improvement in spiritual things.

*St. James's Parish, Santee.*

The Rev. Nathaniel Hyatt, Rector.

Baptisms—8 colored adults. Children, 1 white ; 7 colored ; total, 16. Communicants, 19 white ; 80 colored ; total, 99. Non-communicants, 43 white. Children under 14, 33 white. Families, 24 white. Public Worship, St. James's Church, 25 Sundays ; other days, 1 ; total, 26. Hampton Chapel for colored people, 20 Sundays. Colored children are catechised on several plantations.

*Grace Church, Sullivan's Island.*

The Rev. Nathaniel Hyatt, Rector.

Baptisms—2 colored children. Communicants, 34 white; 8 colored; total, 42. White and colored children were catechised on several occasions. Public Worship, Grace Church, 21 Sundays.

REMARKS.—The attendance on Public Worship was large and regular for the Island.

*St, Michael's Parish, Charleston.*

The Rev. Paul Trapier Keith, Rector.

The Rev. Thos. J. Young, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 24 white children; 19 colored; total, 44. Marriages, 6 white; 2 colored; total, 8. Burials, 13 white; 2 colored; total, 15. Communicants, 290 white; 37 colored; total, 327. Non-communicants, 209 white; colored, uncertain. Children under 14, 172 white; colored, uncertain. Families, 166 white; colored, uncertain. Children catechised 12 days, about 100 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 15 white; 5 colored; total, 20; Sunday School Teachers, 17 white; 11 colored; total, 28. Number of Scholars, 88 white; 50 colored; total, 185. Public Worship, St. Michael's Church, 53 Sundays; other days, 130; total, 284.

REMARKS.—During the past year, the contributions have been, at the Communion, \$737 30; for Missions, Church Offerings, \$753 89; Sunday School, \$70 20; for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$41 50; repairing St. Stephen's Chapel, \$174 60; Society for the advancement of Christianity, \$54; Ladies' Sewing Society for Missions in the city, \$165 00; Education of a youth by three members, \$60; for Church at Laurens, \$32 00; St. Michael's Church, Sisters of Charity, \$26 00; Special contributions, \$42 00.

*Report of the Rev. M. H. Lance.*

Service, since the last Convention, has been rendered by me at the following places, viz:—Georgetown, Sullivan's Island, Aiken, Abbeville, Anderson, Pendleton, Spartanburg, Glenn Springs, and Greenville. Conforming to the Bishop's request, in travelling for the summer in the upper country, I made my own convenience yield to the condition of vacant Parishes, relating to which I make a *particular* report. Having given previous notice, I arrived at Abbeville, where I met with a hearty welcome from a highly respectable and hospitable people. Both going and returning, I officiated there twice on Sundays, and administered the Lord's Supper. The Congregation, not large, cheerfully exhibit the fruit of the Divine blessing on their zealous efforts, in an appropriate house of prayer to God our Redeemer. In a village composed of such intelligence, and where there is so earnest a desire for the regular ministration of the Word and Sacraments, the inability, unassisted to effect it, is seriously to be deplored. A settled minister would, undoubtedly, secure an increasing flock. My next appointment was at Anderson C. H., where also I received a most courteous and welcome reception. Sufficient inducement being

afforded, I prolonged my stay there for the greater part of the season, officiating once on Sundays, and as there was opportunity, twice at times. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was here also administered. The perceptible result of these services was, the encouragement and strengthening of the little flock to whom we trust it is the good pleasure of their Heavenly Father to give the kingdom, and to direct the aid of many "glad to give and ready to distribute," to hasten that first accomplishment of a religious communion—the erection of a house of worship. To this they have already liberally subscribed \$500, and an eligible lot was contracted for on a credit of two years, when the titles were produced. To make all necessary arrangements, in lieu of a vestry till formed, a committee of gentlemen kindly consented, at my request, to act. With such evidence of good will to that branch of the Church of Christ entrusted to our care, (three other denominations having a place of worship in that flourishing village,) we cannot doubt of a helping hand from the low country, to hasten and complete the good work in view.

The result of my observation in travelling is, that a sufficient disposition prevails to warrant the speedy furnishing with missionaries the destitute and new Parishes in the upper country, and that to the extent of this encouragement, to those too weak for self-reliance, will be the spread of the saving health of the Gospel, through the conservative influence of the Church.

### *Prince William's Parish.*

Rev. Charles E. Leverett, Rector.

Rev. Stephen Elliott, Assistant Minister.

Burials—1 white. Communicants, 36 white; 6 colored; total, 42. Non-communicants, 26 white. Children under 14, 73 white. Families, 25 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 11 white. Children catechised nearly every Sunday in summer. Confirmed by the Bishop, 3 white. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Number of Scholars, 30 white. Public Worship, Sheldon Church, 25 Sundays. Sheldon Chapel, 25 Sundays; other days, 21. Whole number of times, 106.

REMARKS.—Our report, as usual, embraces no intelligence of peculiar interest. In common with most Churches in our small country Parishes, we can have little to state. Our customary course has been quietly pursued, and we trust our labor has not been in vain. We know, indeed, from his word, that the Lord can, and when he pleases, will give the increase. We wait humbly, reliant upon his pleasure. The Rector would not pass, unmentioned, the favors extended to him by many of his little flock. Several families have been so considerate as to supply him with articles, useful and necessary to his large household. Besides many attentions of the kind alluded to, nearly a moiety of his grain has been kindly furnished. This has relieved him of much of the expense, created by his distance from the Winter Church; the charge of keeping many horses being a necessary burden in country parishes. It is believed that the kindness which has been thus volun-

tarily expressed, cannot be temporally lost to the givers, nor will remain spiritually unnoticed by *Him*, in whose service, both laity and clergy stand and act. We believe it will be the ability of such to know how true that Scripture is, "give, and it will be given unto you, good measure, pressed down and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom."

Our Winter Church, we think, is steadily improving. When the weather is not forbidding, the congregation is fair for a country not thickly settled, and in which the residences of some worshippers are ten or twelve miles distant. We trust to render our service more interesting by the addition of a small organ. The Rector has been much gratified by the willing and ready response, which his application to his people for this instrument, generally met. He feels, also, called to notice the erection of a handsome organ loft, at the expense of James Cuthbert, Esq., and the gift of a large and handsome carpet for the chancel, by the same liberal gentleman. But little, the Rector regrets to say, has been done for missions, beyond the contribution for missionary services to the negroes, on a few of the plantations. The necessity of this duty seems to be overlooked by almost all. This feature should, as we wish it did, especially mark our "household of faith," for we must admit that the generous gifts, or the denial of the same, or the grudging benefaction, is an almost unerring test, whether we "stand fast in the Lord," or are in the category of him, "who laid up for himself, but was not rich towards God."

*Contributions.*—Missionary purposes, &c., \$140; Missionary on plantations, \$325; Organ, \$450; Communion collections, about \$45. Total, \$960.

*St. John's Chapel, Hampstead, Charleston Neck.*

The Rev. Alexander W. Marshall, Minister.

Baptisms—4 white adults; 4 colored; total, 8. Children, 18 white; 14 colored; total, 32. Marriages, 4 white; 12 colored; total, 16. Burials, 28 white; 9 colored; total, 37. Communicants, 43 white; 28 colored; total, 71. Non-communicants, uncertain. Children catechised 12 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 11 white; 9 colored. total, 20. Sunday School Teachers, 5. Public Worship, St. John's Chapel, 52 Sundays; 65 other days; total, 169.

*REMARKS.*—Two of the number confirmed belonged to other Congregations in the city. The Lord's Supper has been administered on the 3d Sunday of each month, also on Easter day, Whitsunday, Trinity Sunday, and Christmas day; 2 Communicants have died, and two removed into the country, and one has been transferred to St. Stephen's Chapel, in consequence of inability to attend St. John's. Admitted to the Communion, for the first time, 15, viz: 10 white and 5 colored; 2 Communicants have been added by removal to the Chapel. The Sunday School for white and colored children has been held every Lord's Day morning before service; and that for colored adults and children, in the evening, after service. Catechetical instruction

has been given once, every week, to some adults in the Poor House, and Divine Service has been held there on different occasions. The children of St. John's Congregation have been catechised on the 2d Sunday of every month. Divine Service has been held at the Chapel twice on every Sunday, and once on every Saturday, also on the Circumcision, Epiphany, Ash-Wednesday; every day in Passion Week, Easter Monday and Tuesday, Monday and Tuesday of Whitsun week, and Thanksgiving Day.

*St. Helena Island.*

The Rev. David McElheran, Rector.

Marriages—2 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 20 white; 10 colored; total, 40. Non-communicants, 36 colored. Children under 14, 25 white. Families, 22 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white. Sunday School Teachers, 2 white. Number of Scholars, average, 45 colored. Public Worship, Central Church, 50 Sundays; 3 other days; total, 53. St. Helenaville Chapel, 21 Sundays; total, 74.

*St. James's, James Island.*

The Rev. Stiles Mellichamp, Rector.

Baptisms—3 colored adults; 2 white children; total, 5. Marriages, 1 white; 4 colored; total, 5. Burials, 2 colored. Communicants, 15 white; 13 colored; total, 28. Non-communicants, 14 white; 20 colored; total, 34. Children under 14, 19 white. Families, 11 white. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Number of Scholars, 15 white; 20 colored; total, 35. Public Worship, St. James's, 46 Sundays.

REMARKS.—I performed Divine Service every Sabbath last year, with two or three exceptions, on account of inclement weather, and as many, from absence in the spring, by consent of the Vestry. I was also absent on one Sabbath in December, from unavoidable detention on the road in a short journey from home. I do not consider the Church in as prosperous a condition as heretofore. We number one family less—the withdrawal, however, I believe, not arising from disaffection, and there have been fluctuations of attendance in persons who heretofore have been stated worshippers with us. Nevertheless, the aspect of things does not differ materially from our previous condition. May God pour out his blessing and revive his work in our midst.

*Report of the Rev. J. W. Miles.*

The services rendered upon John's Island, up to the period when I removed, were left on record there. I have no private note of them. Since leaving that Parish, I have been employed almost every Sunday in different Churches, and especially in "Calvary," during the temporary absence of Rev. Mr. Trapier.

*St. John's, Fairfield.*

The Rev. J. Obear, Missionary at Winnsboro.

Baptisms—Children, 1 white; 1 colored; total, 2. Marriages, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 22 white; 2 colored; total, 24. Non-communicants, 31 white; 2 colored; total, 33. Children under 14, 32 white; 4 colored; total, 36. Families, 11 white; 1 colored; total, 12. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 2 white. Children catechised in Sunday School. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Number of Scholars, 20 white. Public Worship, St. John's, 40 Sundays; other days, 2. Whole number of times, not known. Other places, 10 white.

*St. Thomas and St. Dennis.*

The Rev. Edward Phillips, Rector.

Baptisms—1 colored adult; 2 white children; 51 colored; total, 54. Marriages, 1 colored. Burials, 1 white; 1 colored; total, 2. Communicants, 23 white; 60 colored; total, 83. Non-communicants, 38 white; colored, unknown. Children under 14, 50 white. Families, 25 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 3 white. Public Worship, St. Thomas; 13 Sundays; 1 other day; total, 14. The Chapel, Louisville, Cainhoy, 13 Sundays. Service for colored persons, 20 Sundays; other days, 10; total, 30. Whole number of times, 71.

REMARKS.—Within the last Parochial term of 6 months, no marked change has occurred in the state of this Parish. It is in the condition last reported. The accommodation for colored persons at the Parish Church being insufficient for the number which would attend worship, it is proposed to enlarge the building. For this class of persons, Divine Service is held at several plantations, occasionally at night, and regularly in the afternoon, of each alternate Sunday, for a small congregation at Louisville, where the Rector resides.

*Report of the Rev. Edward Phillips, for the Summer of 1848.*

On the mournful bereavement of St. Stephen's Chapel, by the death of its minister, I offered to supply his place as domestic Missionary for the summer. My offer was accepted by the Bishop and other Trustees. Kindly and generously assisted by the Rev. J. Ward Simmons, Deacon, who usually officiated at the desk, I preached at St. Stephen's morning and afternoon of Sunday: in conjunction with the Bishop, lectured on Wednesday evening, and said morning prayer on Thursday, generally each week. Besides the performance of the Pastoral offices to the poor, sick and dying of this widely scattered cure, I prepared from the regular congregation a class of nine persons for confirmation, which took place at St. Michael's Church, All Saints Day. I baptized two white children, and performed the burial service twice. In November, previously to the time for removal into my own Parish, (St. Thomas and St. Dennis,) I co-operated with the Bishop, and some other friends of the measure, in the organization of the

Church of the Holy Communion, Cannonsboro', and preached the Introductory discourse in the building used as the temporary place of worship. The Bishop officially authorized the Rev. Edward Phillips, Presbyter, and the Rev. J. Ward Simmons, Deacon, to officiate as the Ministers of this Mission.

*Church of the Messiah, North Santee.*

The Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Rector.

The Rev. E. C. Logan, Missionary.

Baptisms—2 white children. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 15 white; 25 colored; total, 40. Non-communicants, 24 white. Children under 14, 16 white. Families, 18 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 10 white. Children catechised, 40 colored. Public Worship, Church Messiah, 22 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 34. Other places, 51. Whole number of times, 85.

REMARKS.—This report embraces the services performed in the Parish during the winter and spring, the Church being closed from 1st May, until November. The morning is devoted to the white congregation, the afternoon and evening, to the negroes, a very large number of whom are congregated in this Parish. The Rector hopes to do much more for their spiritual good than has been accomplished heretofore, by the aid of Rev. E. C. Logan, who is employed as a Missionary among them. The care of these souls has hitherto been committed chiefly to the Methodists; but our planters would, of course, prefer the instructions of our own Church, where they can be obtained. As the Rector has charge in summer of the Church at Flat Rock, he has included his services there in this report, which will explain the reason why the number reported *out* of his Parish exceeds those performed *in it*. A statement of his services at Flat Rock is forwarded to the Bishop of North Carolina; but he desires also to report the employment of his time in service to the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese to which he belongs.

*Report of the Rev. W. T. Potter.*

Since my last report, as you are aware, I have not in God's providence, been called to the charge of any stated Cure. What assistance was required, was always cheerfully extended to the Rector of this Parish—also, occasional services to the blacks. On the 1st of May, until July, I almost regularly assisted Brother Walker, chiefly in performing Divine Service. On my voyage to the North, I officiated on board the Northerner, on my return on board the Columbus. During my sojourn in Boston and its neighborhood, there was but one or two Sundays on which I did not officiate, and on these was prevented by my own indisposition. I also baptized one infant at the Church of the Messiah, Boston: the Rector being absent. The shortness of the winter days—the distance to Sheldon, a want of a convenient place of assembling, has prevented the regular service of my own and Mr. Hamblin's plantations, which I intend renewing as the spring advan-

ces. This report, (unsatisfactory as it is to myself,) is submitted in obedience to the Canon, by your friend and brother in the Church of Christ.

*St. Bartholomew's Parish.*

The Rev. W. O. Prentiss, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 1 colored. Children, 13 white; 1 colored; total, 16. Marriages, 3 colored. Burials, 3 white; 2 colored; total, 5. Communicants, 63 white; 27 colored; total, 90. Non-communicants, 55 white. Children under 14, 71 white. Families, 43 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 5 white. Confirmed by the Bishop 4 white; 2 colored; total, 6. Sunday School Teachers, 10 white. Number of Scholars, 25 white; 30 colored; total, 55. Public Worship, Walterboro' Chapel, 31 times; number other days, 22; total, 96. Edmondsbury Chapel, 20 times; other days, 2; total, 22. Whole number of times, 118.

The Communion has been administered at Ashepoo on 6 Sundays, and two other days. In Walterboro', on 11 Sundays. There have been seven private Communions. A Catechist instructs two Congregations of negroes throughout the year; but I regret to say that he is not properly supported in his self-denying work, by either the influence or the purses of those who ought to be most interested in his success. The contributions to Missions have been \$34.64, exclusive of the aid afforded the Parochial Mission. The Communion alms amount to \$82.43 cents. The Rector being generally compelled to instruct a class in the Sabbath School, catechising is impossible.

*Zion Church, Richland.*

The Rev. J. M. Pringle, Rector.

Baptisms—25 colored children. Marriages, 1 white; 9 colored. Burials, 6 white; 1 colored. Communicants, 11 white; 85 colored. Families belonging to the Church, 12. Other families attending on the services, 6. Number of Scholars in the Saturday and Sunday Schools, for white children, 52. Number of colored children, under 14 years of age, taught by the Minister during the week, 82. Sunday School Teachers, 5. Public Worship, 49 Sundays, and on several other occasions. The usual missionary work on Tuesday afternoons and on plantations in the week, and also among the whites in the form of prayer meetings, as mentioned before in former reports, has been continued. During the past year, a log Chapel has been built in a very thickly settled, but comparatively obscure and much neglected part of the neighborhood, called the Marsh; and it is hoped that through the blessing of God, an Episcopal Congregation will be happily established there.

*Report of the Rev. Edward Reed.*

The Rev. Edward Reed reports to the Bishop of the Diocese, that he has, for the past year, been residing in Edgefield, except 3 months passed in New York. He has rendered occasional services when

opportunity offered, both in the diocese and out of it, and for the past month has been officiating at Abbeville for the congregation in that place. His health is so far restored that he hopes soon to resume his labors as a Parish Minister.

*Immanuel Church, Chester District.*

The Rev. R. S. Seely, late Rector.

Burials—2 white. Communicants, 18 white; 10 colored; total, 28. Non-communicants, 90 white; 3 colored; total, 93. Children under 14, 26 white; 6 colored; total, 32. Families, 16 white; 6 colored; total, 22. Sunday School Teachers, 7 white. Number of Scholars, 18 white. Public Worship, Immanuel, 12 Sundays. School House, 6 Sundays. Court House, 8 Sundays; total, 30.

*Report of the Rev. R. S. Seely.*

I avail myself of this opportunity of making my report, required by Canon VIII of 1841. Since I resigned the Rectorship of Immanuel Church, Chester, which took place on the first of July last, I have performed, by special request, the following services. In Immanuel Church, Chester, I have held Divine Service and preached twice; in Chester C. H., once; in St. John's Chapel, Charleston, I have held Divine Service, and preached once. On board the brig Carolina, I have held Divine Service, and preached once. I have held Divine Service, and preached in St. Michael's, Brooklyn, New York, 3 times. In St. John's, Brooklyn, once; in St. Paul's, Brooklyn, once; in St. John's, Hoboken, once; in Christ's Church, Springfield, (Mass.) I have held Divine Service, and preached twice; in St. John's Church, Stamford, (Conn.) I have held Divine Service, and preached twice, and assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper three times in the same Church.

*Trinity Church, Columbia.*

The Rev. Peter J. Shand, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white adults; 14 white children; total, 17. Marriages, 4 white; 1 colored; total, 5. Burials, 13 white. Communicants, 98 white; 6 colored; total, 104. Non-communicants, 95 white; colored, 10; total, 105. Children under 14, 95 white; colored, 4; total, 99. Families, 71 white; 5 colored; total, 76. Children catechised monthly, number not definite. Confirmed by the Bishop, 8 white. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Scholars, varying in number, between 20 and 40. Public Worship, every Sunday, every Wednesday, except about 8, and on every Fast and Festival day, when not unavoidably prevented from holding service.

REMARKS.—Besides the baptisms in my own Parish, I administered the Ordinance (by request) to one white child in Charleston, whose parents were not members of either of the organized Parishes in that city, and also to a colored child at Orangeburg village, by request of the Missionary. At this last mentioned village, I also solemnized a marriage, in addition to those above reported.

Of the Communicants reported last year, three have removed from the Parish, and four have died. Of those embraced in this report, 11 white are new—that is, have become communicants during the present year. During the necessary absence of the Rector for a few weeks in the summer, his place was kindly supplied, partially by a Lay reader, but chiefly by the Rev. Robert Henry, D. D., the latter of whom has, likewise, rendered similar acceptable services on other occasions, and at various times.

*Church of the Holy Trinity, Orangeburg.*

The Rev. R. D. Shindler, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms—5 white children. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 5 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white. Public Worship, at Orangeburg, 39 Sundays; 2 other days. At Dr. Taylor's School House, 3 Sundays; 1 other day. At Totness, 1 Sunday. Beyond the Mission, 11 times. In all, 78 times.

REMARKS.—The Church of the Holy Trinity, Orangeburg, was organized on the 21st of October, of this year; since then, efforts have been made to build a Church. A sum of money for that purpose has been subscribed, and a lot of ground in an eligible part of the village has been contracted for. It is impossible to give a very accurate account of the numbers of the congregation; for whilst those, who strictly speaking, are Churchmen, are too few to exhibit the prospects of the Church; on the other hand, many attend our services who cannot be expected to connect themselves with us; and therefore I would submit that if the Church of the Holy Trinity is fostered by the Church of the Diocese, it will, by the blessing of God, be put on a permanent basis; but on the contrary, we cannot forbear adding, that if a helping hand be not extended, a dark cloud may forever obscure a prospect now so bright and cheering, and this infant Church, which may God forbid, be cut off from the list of Churches. The numbers attending at Orangeburg C. H. have varied from 20 to 120.

*Grace Church, Charleston.*

The Rev. W. W. Spear, Rector.

Baptisms—2 white adults; 1 colored; total, 3. Children, 13 white; 3 colored; total, 19. Marriages, 2 colored. Burials, 5 white. Communicants, 90 white; 6 colored; total, 96. Non-communicants, 160 white; 20 colored; total, 180. Children under 14, 200 white; 30 colored; total, 230. Families, 100 white, 10 colored; total, 110. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 15 white; 3 colored; total, 18. Children catechised every Sunday, 50 white. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white; 3 colored; total, 8. Number of Scholars, 40 white; 20 colored; total, 60. Public Worship, Grace Church, Charleston, 52 Sundays; 6 other days; total, 120.

*The Rev. Mr. Swart's Report.*

I commenced my Pastoral labors at Jacksonville, East Florida, in the congregation of St. John's Church, upon November 30, 1848, that

being thanksgiving day, recommended by the civil authority of this State, and St. Andrew's day. The appointments made are the following: Morning and Evening prayer upon Sunday, always accompanied with pastoral instruction. Morning Prayer upon Wednesday; Evening Prayer upon Friday: mostly accompanied with pastoral instruction. Upon Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, a Gospel Class; at 9½, a Sunday School; Sunday afternoon at 4½ o'clock, a Catechetical Class for the instruction of the colored population, both "bond and free." Upon the first Sunday of every month after Evening Prayer, the children are catechised before the congregation. Upon the last Sunday of every month, after Evening Prayer, missionary intelligence is communicated to the congregation.

*Report from "Calvary Church," Charleston, for the especial but not exclusive benefit of servants.*

The Rev. Paul Trapier, Minister of Calvary Church,

Baptisms—children, 1 white; 7 colored. Marriages, 1 white; 1 colored. Burials, 1 white; 1 colored. Communicants, 10 white; 3 colored. Non-communicants, 5 white; colored, unknown. Sunday School Teachers, 19 white. Scholars, 68 white; 276 entered on the register as having been at the Sunday School during the year, 40 of them free, the others belonging to 121 owners, from all of whom consent has been obtained in writing, or through certain information. There have been present sometimes, 175 scholars; on an average during the summer, about 120, but on the short and cold days of winter, only about 80. They are taught orally and from books of approved character, chiefly the Church catechism and the responsive portions of our "Order for Daily Morning and Evening Prayer." Public worship was held from March 5 to the middle of July, in the basement of the St. Philip's parsonage, and since in "Temperance, Hall" on 44 Sundays, and 4 other days; whole number of times, 93. It is impossible as yet, to say accurately, who compose this congregation, or to distinguish in every case stated from occasional worshippers; but there are generally, in the morning, about 25 white and 30 colored; and in the afternoon, about 40 white, and 250 colored, including the Sunday Scholars. The small attendance in the morning may be ascribed in part to detention on domestic duties, but chiefly to habits of inveterate indolence and self-indulgence, which it is hoped, may, through the blessing of God upon patient effort, be in time corrected,—especially when we can present to a people so much under the influence of externals, the attraction of a suitable building for their public worship. The Holy Communion has been administered 13 times; all the Communicants were so before connecting themselves with this Congregation; but 8 colored persons have been for several months under a course of instruction in evenings during the week, by the minister; he not deeming it prudent to admit them to either Sacrament till after careful preparation and probation. Communion alms \$31.54; from a box at the door, for current expenses, \$45.81. The minister is indebted for acceptable and useful services rendered during two months of his unavoidable absence by the Rev. J. W. Miles.

*St. Helena, Beaufort.*

The Rev. Jos. R. Walker, Rector.

The Rev. Richardson Graham, Assistant Minister and Missionary.

Baptisms—3 white adults; 6 colored; 5 white children; 5 colored; total, 19. Marriages, 1 white; 6 colored; total, 7. Burials, 2 white; 2 colored, total, 4. Communicants, 127 white; 56 colored; total, 183. Non-communicants, 83 white. Children under 14, 184 white. Families, 60 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 8 white. Colored children catechised 260 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 7 white, 6 colored; total, 13. Sunday School Teachers, 10 white; 8 colored; total, 18. Number of Scholars, 71 white; 80 colored; total, 151. Public Worship, Parish Church, 52 Sundays; 60 other days; total, 164; Chapel and Plantation services for the negroes, 52 Sundays: 60 other days; total, 216; whole number of times, 380.

REMARKS.—God has blessed us by the addition during the last summer, of a goodly number to the Holy Communion, chiefly from among the young. The children have been pastorally instructed from time to time in the Sunday School. The mission among the slaves of the Parish, conducted by my assistant, the Rev. R. Graham, is gaining ground and favour among the planters, and I trust, with the Lord. His report is as follows :

The Assistant Minister and Missionary begs leave to report that the statistics required are incorporated in the report of the Rector. My services, are, entirely devoted to the instruction of the colored population on the plantations, in the parish with which I am connected. I ride from 25 to 30 miles, and preach and catechise three times every Sunday. I preach, also, three times in the week, at night, on the plantations. The children are catechised on 5 days in the week; these services, with visiting the sick and other duties connected with my mission—occupy all my time. The mission is in successful operation, and a prosperous condition. Hitherto, the Lord hath been my helper, and given me tokens for good.

*Trinity Church, Edgefield C. H.*

The Rev. C. B. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—4 white children. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 7 white. Communicants, 22 white. Non-communicants, 24 white. Children under 14, 36 white. Families, 19 white. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Number of Scholars, 12 white; 25 colored; total, 37. Public Worship, 49 Sundays; 6 other days; total, 55.

REMARKS.—I was absent on account of my health for several Sundays in the summer. To the Rev. Mr. Reed, I am indebted for the supply of my pulpit while I was at Convention, as well as for other acts of ministerial service.

*Christ Church, Wilton.*

The Rev. E. T. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—6 white children; 4 colored. Marriages, 2 white. Burials in another parish, 2. Communicants, 20 white; colored, 100.

Communicants removed from the parish, 2 white and 40 colored. Non-communicants, 13. Children under 14 years of age, 21. Families, 20. Public Worship, Christ Church, 30 Sundays; Christ Church Chapel, 16 Sundays; on plantations, 14 times; whole number of times, 116.

**REMARKS.**—Situated as our Church is, in the midst of rice lands: our services have always closed in May; but during the past year, the congregation, erected a Chapel, in connexion with the Church, in Adamsville. It is now in mind, to build a Parsonage; at present, a House is rented for the Rector's use. The object of these efforts, is to keep the Church open the whole year, for the accommodation of those of our Communion who reside in the pine land in the summer, and to afford the Rector an opportunity of usefulness among the negroes, who belong to the Church. The Chapel will be ready for Consecration, as soon as some little matters are done about it, and a bell is up, of which we have the guarantee. The religious charities and contributions have been:—To Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$130; Missions among the negroes, \$250; other objects, \$600; total, \$980.

*St. John's Berkley.*

The Rev. C. Wallace, late Rector.

The Rev. W. B. W. Howe, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 26 colored; 8 white children; 60 colored; total, 95. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 3 white. Communicants, 40 white; 226 colored; total, 266. Non-communicants, 80 white; colored, unknown. Children under 14, 101 white; colored, unknown. Families, 41 white; colored, unknown. Families belonging also to other congregations, 15 white; colored, unknown. Children catechised, 10 Sundays. Sunday School Teachers, 3 white. Number of Scholars, 12 white. Public Worship, Biggin, 18 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 20. Strawberry, 21 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 23. Whiteville, 24 Sundays; 41 other days; total, 88. Cordesville, 17 Sundays. Other places, 3 Sundays; 15 other days; total, 20. For negroes, 24 Sundays; 36 other days; total, 120; whole number of times, 305.

**REMARKS.**—The late Rector, having been called, as it seemed to him, by the voice of Providence, on the 1st of November 1848, resigned the Parish, where he had spent seven of the happiest years of his life. It was painful to part with friends endeared to him by innumerable kindnesses, but duty to God and the Church seemed to require of him to sacrifice both feeling and interest in making the change. He had less hesitation, however, on account of leaving the Parish for the time in charge of a brother, highly beloved among them, and in whom the late Rector had the most entire confidence. His fervent prayer is, that they may be supplied with a permanent Pastor after God's own heart, who shall, with the divine blessing, effect much more of good than he could have hoped to do by remaining.

*St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.*

The Rev. Cranmore Wallace, Minister.

The Rev. Ward Simmons, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—3 white adults; 12 white children; 1 colored; total, 16. Marriages, 2 white; 3 colored; total, 5. Burials, 11 white; 1 colored; total, 12. Communicants, about 100 white; 12 colored; total, 112. Non-communicants, white, not known; colored, not known. Children under 14, white, not known; colored, not known. Families, about 70 white; 8 colored; total, 78. Families belonging also to other congregations, white, none; colored, none. Confirmed by the Bishop, 9 white. Sunday School Teachers, 10 white. Number of Scholars, 40 white; 15 colored; total, 55. Public Worship, St. Stephen's Chapel, 9 Sundays; 14 other days; total, 35.

REMARKS.—The baptisms, marriages, and burials, are taken from the Church books, and are for the whole year. The services reported, are only since the 1st of November, when the present ministers took charge. The statistics of this congregation cannot be considered as accurate; the numbers here given are probably below the truth. So many and great are the changes constantly taking place in it, that it is difficult, if not impossible, to keep pace with them. The congregation, may, however, be now considered as in a prosperous state. The building has been put in complete repair. Gas lights have been introduced. Though many, who were able, have taken seats in Grace Church; many others, especially foreigners and strangers, have joined the congregation. Twenty have been admitted to the Communion in two months, of whom four or five had been lately confirmed, two were from other congregations, and the rest were mostly from abroad. The charities instituted by the late lamented minister, it is extremely desirable to retain in active efficiency. The Charity School and the Fund for the support of Orphans, commend themselves especially to the liberality of the charitable. Daily opportunities too, are offered for doing good with any funds which may be put in the hands of the minister. He desires to express his gratitude for a very liberal answer to a public appeal of his through the newspaper, in behalf of the poor. A single donation of a *hundred dollars* was sent him; and others, several of which were anonymous, amounting to upwards of thirty dollars. May the prayers of Christ's Poor bring down blessings on the heads of the Donors!

*Prince William's Parish.*

The Rev. B. C. Webb, Missionary.

Baptisms—2 white children; 2 colored adults; 6 colored children. Children catechised at each station regularly. Marriages, 1 white; 7 colored. Burials, 2 white; 6 colored. Communicants, 130'; disciplined, 2; restored, 2; dead, 5; Lord's Supper administered, 10. Public Worship, Plantations, 10; Preaching stations, 5. Services performed at each once a fortnight except on three occasions—from June to November, lectured every Thursday night with but one or two interruptions.

**REMARKS.**—The condition of the Mission is about the same as the last year. It is still favoured by Masters; but they as well as the Missionary, are called on to act on the principle of a “patient continuance in well-doing.”

*St. Mark's, Clarendon.*

The Rev. Arthur Wigfall, Rector.

Baptisms—4 white children. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 35 white; 6 colored; total, 41. Non-communicants, 26 white; about 100 colored; total, 126. Children under 14, 40 white. Families, 22 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 2 white. Children catechised 12 days, 25 white; 12 colored; total, 37. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Number of Scholars, 25 white. Public Worship, St. Marks, 51 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 53.

**REMARKS.**—A Bible Class, consisting of about twenty members, meets every Saturday at the Parsonage. Mr. Jacob Welch is still acting as catechist in this Parish among the slaves; he has about five hundred colored people under his charge.

*St. Luke's Parish.*

The Rev. A. Woodward, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white children. Burials, 1 white adult. Marriages, 1 white. Families, 33 white. Children under 14, 59 white; colored not known. Communicants, 27 white; 20 colored; total, 47. Non-communicants, 60 white; colored, not ascertained. Sunday School Teachers, 6 white. Scholars, 10 white; about 50 colored; total, 60. Public Worship, St. Luke's Church, 14 Sundays; Zion Chapel, Hilton Head, 13 Sundays; Chapel of the Cross at Bluffton, 24 Sundays; whole number of times, including services rendered colored people on the Maine and on the Island, 70.

**REMARKS.**—Since last report, several families have left, and several have moved into the Parish. For several Sundays, (during the months of November and December,) the Rector was unable to officiate, on account of ill health. His place, however, was kindly and acceptably supplied by the Rev. Joseph B. Seabrook.

**REPORTS OF THE DEACONS.**

The Rev. C. T. Bland, Deacon, Missionary.

Children catechised on 11 days, 177 colored. Public Worship, St. Thaddæus, Aiken, 4 Sundays. Joice's Branch, 1 Sunday. Parish Church of All-Saints, 2 Sundays; 1 other day; total, 3. Services on plantations, 12 Sundays; whole number of times, 20.

**Report of the Rev. J. D. McCullough.**

Since I was “made a Deacon” (June 21st,) I have officiated regularly; alternating between Glenn's Spring, and Spartanburg C. H., with two visits to Laurens C. H., up to the 1st of December; after

which time, being necessarily absent, I have taken part in the services, on each Sunday, wherever I have been. Service has been performed, for the most part, twice in each Sunday, with a sermon; but being assisted frequently by brethren of the clergy, the number reported as actually performed by myself appears less. Services performed in the Mission, whole number, 32. Sermons, 22. At other places, prayers, 5; sermons, 11. The Holy Communion has been administered at Glenn's Spring once by the Rev. C. B. Walker; and at Spartanburg C. H. once, by the Rev. T. S. Arthur. At the former place, the exterior of a Church has been erected, and furnished with sittings, at a cost of \$465. Number of families, 3. Communicants, 2 white; 1 colored. At Spartanburg there are 10 families, of which some members, are Churchmen. Number of Communicants, 11 white.

Report of the Rev. G. L. Platt, Deacon.

Since my ordination as Deacon in April last, whilst travelling, and at other times, I have preached in 5 different dioceses, in all about 30 times; have aided in the Communion, 10 times; have frequently assisted in the prayers and lessons, and officiated at one funeral; by invitation of the Bishop of Massachusetts, aided in the service at the Consecration of a Church near Springfield in that Diocese, and quite lately have taken charge of All-Saints' Academy, Waccamaw.

Report of the Rev. Jos. B. Seabrook, Deacon, Missionary to the Blacks on Colleton Neck.

From the time of my ordination, which took place on the 24th of last September, to the 1st of January, I preached about 32 times. The whole number of Sundays were 15. I held service 2 other times. My labors are pretty much confined to the blacks. Since January, I have been acting both as Missionary to the blacks and Assistant Minister to the Rector of St. Luke's Parish; having accepted a call to that effect sometime previously made.

Report of the Rev. J. Ward Simmons, Deacon.

In the interval between my ordination (Trinity Sunday, June 18th,) and my connection with St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston, as Assistant to the Rev. C. Wallace, I performed the following services: Preached in the city and country, 20. Assisted at the Holy Communion, 6. Read prayers in the city and country, 40. Married, 1 white couple. Baptised, 1 negro child. Married, 1 colored couple. Most of the above services were rendered at St. Stephen's Chapel.

Report of Rev. J. Ward Simmons, Deacon; one of the Missionaries to the Church of the Holy Communion, Cannonsboro.

During the month of November, the Rev. E. Phillips and myself were appointed by the Bishop, Missionaries, to gather a congregation in Cannonsboro. At a meeting (particulars of which are contained in the Gospel Messenger for December,) Wardens and Vestrymen were appointed. It was decided that the Church to be founded

should be called "The Church of the Holy Communion." Service was held on the 21st Sunday after Trinity, at the former residence of the late Bishop Bowen, by the Rev. Edward Phillips. On the following Sunday, the Congregation met in a room at the Arsenal, corner of Thomas and Bee streets, kindly loaned by Capt. Williamson, U. S. Army, in command at that place. To this date (January 1st,) services have been maintained at the same place, through the assistance of various Clergymen from the city and country. The attendance is highly encouraging. The resident Missionary entertains no doubt of the practicability, under the divine blessing, of gathering a large and regular congregation, so soon as the entire time of a Clergyman shall be devoted to the object. The Sunday School, organised the 3rd Sunday in Advent, can readily be increased by a little effort to collect the children in the Borough.

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## ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1848.

	White.	Colored.	Total.
Baptisms—Adults,	25	172	197
"    Children,	283	552	835
	308	724	1032
Grand Total,	616	1448	2063
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Marriages,	71	82	153
Burials	215	54	269
Congregation—Communicants,	2450	2081	4531
"    Non-Communicants,	2228	493	2721
"    Children under 14,	2316	346	2662
"    Families,	1695	115	1810
Families belonging to other congregations,	117	3	120
Children catechised,	590	791	1381
Confirmed by the Bishop,	137	178	315
Sunday Schools—Number of Teachers,	247	40	287
"    "    "    Scholars,	1126	1077	2203

CONSTITUTION  
OF  
THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,  
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ARTICLE I.

*Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.*

The Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges their authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

*Of Stated Meetings.*

A stated Convention shall be held annually in Charleston, on the second Wednesday in February, or at such time, and in such place, as shall have been determined upon by the preceding Convention.

ARTICLE III.

*Of Members of Convention.*

SECTION 1.—The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

SECTION 2.—The Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, and the Minister, or Ministers of every Episcopal Church in union with this Convention, shall always be *ex-officio*, a member, or members of this Convention, with a right to vote on all matters requiring the suffrages thereof: *Provided*, that no Clergyman shall be entitled to vote in Convention, unless he has been actually, as well as canonically

resident within the Diocese, for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention, and has for the same period been employed in performing the duties of his station; *Provided*, also, that no Clergyman, otherwise entitled to a seat and vote in Convention, shall, by reason of advanced years, or infirm health, or temporary absence, be divested of such privilege.

SECTION 3.—Every other Clergyman of the Church being a Missionary, officiating under the sanction of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, or a Chaplain in any benevolent or other public institution, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote in matters involving the temporal concerns of the Churches. The provisions of the second section of this Article shall also apply to the preceding part of this section. Every other clergyman, being an instructor of youth in any seminary of learning, constituted by civil or Ecclesiastical authority, in this Diocese, or a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States, or being prevented by age and infirmity from exercising his clerical functions, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote.

SECTION 4.—Lay-Delegates, not exceeding four (4) in number, shall be elected by the respective Episcopal Churches, in union with this Convention, from among the members of those Churches respectively, to represent them in Convention; the Delegates to be elected in such manner and time, as each Church shall deem proper, to serve for one stated Convention. They shall, before they are permitted to take their seats in Convention, produce written testimonials of their election. For special Conventions, special elections shall be held.

SECTION 5.—No member shall hereafter represent two distinct Churches, or shall, in any case, have more than one vote.

SECTION 6.—A Lay-Member, having taken his seat in the Convention as a Delegate from any Church, shall not, (without the unanimous consent of the Convention,) be permitted to relinquish his seat, and take a seat as the Delegate of another Church.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### *Of a Quorum.*

Ten (10) Members of the Clerical Order, and Lay-Representatives of ten (10) Churches, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally; but any number of either order that shall assemble may adjourn from day to day, until a quorum is formed.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### *Of the President.*

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex-officio* President of the Convention. But in case of his absence, or a vacancy in the Episcopate

the President of the Standing Committee shall be the President of the Convention: and if he be not present, a presiding officer shall be elected from among the attending Presbyters.

#### ARTICLE VI.

##### *Of the Secretary.*

A Secretary, who shall also be, *ex-officio*, Treasurer, shall be annually chosen, (and continue in office until a successor be appointed,) who shall keep a true and correct Journal of the Proceedings of the Convention, attest its public acts, preserve its records, and give notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for any stated or special meeting of the Convention; and this notice shall be given at least six weeks before the meeting of such Convention. He shall also keep regular accounts of all money transactions, to be annually laid before the Convention, and shall faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers, relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

#### ARTICLE VII.

##### *Of the Standing Committee.*

SECTION 1.—A Standing Committee, consisting of five Presbyters of the Diocese, and five Laymen, taken indiscriminately from among the actual communicants of the Church in the Diocese, shall be elected by ballot at every regular meeting of the Convention, for the purposes expressed in the Constitution and Canons of the General and Diocesan Conventions, who shall continue in office until another Committee be appointed.

SECTION 2.—At their first meeting after their appointment, they shall choose one of the Presbyters of their body to be their President; and another of their body to be their Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all the proceedings and business of the Committee, to preserve them carefully recorded in a book provided for that purpose alone, to preserve the originals of all letters and papers addressed to the Standing Committee, to attest their public acts, to perform such other duties as they may require, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Standing Committee, which may have been entrusted to him.

SECTION 3.—They shall present to each annual Convention, an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.

SECTION 4.—Vacancies in this Committee, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be supplied by the suffrages of the remaining members, a majority of the whole Committee being necessary to constitute a choice.

## ARTICLE VIII.

*Of Special Meetings.*

SECTION 1.—The Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special meeting of the Convention; and such meeting shall be held where the authority calling it shall determine; and at such special meeting no other business shall be transacted than that stated in the notice calling the Convention.

SECTION 2.—No special meeting of the Convention shall be called for the election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop.

## ARTICLE IX.

*Of Voting in Convention.*

On all questions, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution, the members shall deliberate and vote as one body; but any two Clergymen, of the Delegation from any two Churches, may call for a separate vote of each Order, when the Clergy shall vote individually, and the Lay-Delegates by Churches, (a majority of each Delegation having one vote,) and a majority of both Orders shall, in each case, be necessary to a decision.

## ARTICLE X.

*Of the election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop.*

In the election of a Bishop, or Assistant Bishop of this Diocese, a majority of each Order shall determine a choice: *Provided*, that two-thirds (2-3ds) of all the Clergy entitled to vote, and two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches entitled to representation, be present; otherwise, two-thirds (2-3ds) of the votes of each Order present, shall be necessary to determine a choice.

## ARTICLE XI.

*Of the trial of a Clergyman.*

A Clergyman shall be subject to a trial for offences enumerated in the Canon of the General Convention “*of offences of which Ministers shall be tried and punished*,” and in the Canons of this Convention. The trial shall be conducted according to the mode provided for by the Canons of this Convention.

## ARTICLE XII.

*Of the admission of Churches or Parishes into the Convention.*

Whenever a Church or Parish, not now entitled to a representation, shall be desirous of uniting with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese, they shall apply by letter to the Bishop, or when there is no Bishop, or he be absent, to the Standing Committee, stating the due

organization of their Church, the election of their Vestrymen and Church Wardens, their means or prospects for the support of a minister, and their willingness to conform to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and the Constitutions and Canons of the Convention of this Diocese, which are now or hereafter may be enacted by authority of the same. And at the Convention next succeeding the receipt of such application, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall communicate the same to the Convention for their decision thereon. Should the Convention make a favorable decision, the said Church shall then be considered in union with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese: *Provided, always,* that the Delegates of the Church, or Parish, newly admitted, though entitled to a seat, shall not be allowed a vote at the meeting of the Convention in which their Church or Parish is admitted. But no Lay vote shall be received from any Church or Parish, which has for three (3) successive years neglected to elect a Vestry and Wardens, or to pay its quota to the Convention, until admitted by a vote of the Convention.

#### ARTICLE XIII.

##### *Of Deputies to the General Convention.*

SECTION 1.—At every annual Convention, four Presbyters and four Laymen shall be chosen by ballot, to represent this Diocese in General Convention.

SECTION 2.—In case any Deputy, appointed as above, shall decline such appointment, or be unable to attend, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee; and the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee may appoint a substitute for any Deputy so declining, or unable to attend: *Provided,* that such substitute be a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina.

#### ARTICLE XIV.

##### *Of altering the Constitution.*

No one of these Articles shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any Article be adopted, unless such alteration, repeal, or new article be proposed, considered and concurred in by a majority at one Convention, and concurred in by two-thirds (2-2ds) of the Churches present at a subsequent Convention.

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## CANONS.

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### CANON I.

*On making Collections for the Bishop's Common Fund.*

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, or his Assistant, shall from time to time, at his discretion, preach in every Church under his care, a sermon on the nature and duties of the Episcopal office; and the Vestry of each Church are requested to make a collection annually, in aid of the Bishop's Common Fund; or, in lieu of such collection, the Minister and Vestry of such Church may substitute an annual contribution. *Passed 1822. Amended 1826.*

### CANON II.

*Providing for an accurate view of the state of the Church.*

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, shall, at or before the meeting of every annual Convention, deliver or transmit to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, an accurate statement, in writing, of the number of Baptisms, Burials and Marriages, in his Parish or Church, during the year ending on the first of January preceding; specifying the number of places where, and how often in each, Divine Service is held; the number of Families, (discriminating in each instance the number of Families belonging likewise to other Congregations,) Communicants, Adults and Children under fourteen (14) years, attending or belonging to the same; the number catechised by him, and on how many Sundays; whether there be any Sunday School, and, if any, the number of Children and Teachers, and the subjects of instruction in the same; and generally, all such other matters as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church under his care; which reports shall be laid before the Convention, and entered on the Journals, conformably to the seventh (7th) Canon of the General Convention of 1835. *Passed 1825. Amended 1841.*

### CANON III.

*Trial of a Clergyman.*

SECTION 1.—In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an Ecclesiastical Court, a charge shall be made, in the first place, to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged, as coming within the offences enumerated in the Constitution and Canons of this

Diocese, or of the General Convention, and that it ought to be presented, they shall present the same to the Bishop in the followsng form :

*To A. B. Bishop of the Diocese of South-Carolina.*

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of South-Carolina, respectfully represent that C. D. has been accused under the hand of E. F. and G. H., [here recite the charge, or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion, that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canon, in such case made and provided.

Signed by the Standing Committee.

SECTION 2.—But nothing, herein contained, shall be regarded as interfering with the duty of the Bishop to institute an inquiry on his own motion, according to the thirty-seventh Canon of the General Convention.

SECTION 3.—A presentment being made, the Bishop shall proceed from among those entitled to a seat in the Convention, other than the members of the Standing Committee, to designate twelve (12) Presbyters, and cause a list of their names, and a copy of the presentment to be furnished to the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, if he be not found. Within thirty (30) days thereafter, the accused shall select five (5) of the twelve (12) Presbyters, and give notice thereof to the Bishop : and in case of his failure to do so, the Bishop shall select five (5); and, in either case, the selected Presbyters shall constitute a Council for the trial of the accused.

SECTION 4.—The Council shall hold its session at such time and place as the Bishop may appoint, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place, within the Diocese. If it fail to meet on the day appointed, it shall stand adjourned to the next day, and from day to day, for the space of three days, if it be not sooner formed ; and if the whole number do not attend, and it appears probable that a full attendance cannot be had, those of the Council who may be present, being not less than three (3), shall proceed to trial. The Council shall appoint a President and Secretary, the first from their own body, and the latter from their own body, or otherwise ; and before proceeding to trial, shall ordain and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. It shall cause the oral testimony for and against the accused to be written down by the Secretary, and, along with the depositions and other evidence read upon the trial, to be carefully preserved ; and shall cause a record to be kept of its proceedings. Some officer authorized by law to administer oaths, may be called upon by the council to administer an oath, or affirmation to the witnesses ; and the trial shall be in public, if desired by the Standing Committee, or by the accused.

SECTION 5.—A written notice of the time and place of meeting of the Council shall be served upon the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, (if he be not found) at least thirty (30) days before such

meeting : and like notice shall be given to the Standing Committee, who by their President, or some one whom they may appoint to perform that office, shall collect and present the evidence in support of the accusation, and otherwise appear in behalf of the prosecution.

SECTION 6.—If the accused do not appear, the Council may proceed to trial in his absence, or, for good cause shewn, may adjourn the trial to another day ; and if he refuse, or decline to appear, the Council shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, who thereupon shall pass upon him sentence of suspension from the Ministry ; but such sentence may be revised by the Bishop, if the accused, within three calendar months, shall report to him that he is prepared to undergo his trial, and shall appear for that end, before the Council ; and if he do not so report and appear, the Bishop, in view of the charges in the presentment, may pass against him sentence of degradation from the Ministry.

SECTION 7.—Upon the application of the Standing Committee, or the accused, to the Bishop, setting forth that the attendance of a material witness cannot be had, he shall appoint a Clergyman or Layman, as a Commissioner to take the deposition of such witness ; and the party applying shall give to the other party five days notice of the time and place of taking the deposition. If the party to whom such notice is to be given, reside more than forty miles from the place appointed for taking the deposition, an additional day, exclusive of Sunday, shall be allowed for every twenty miles. The examination shall be in writing, and signed by the witness : and the deposition, certified by the Commissioner, and transmitted, under seal, to the Council.

SECTION 8.—When the trial shall be gone through, the Council shall declare, in a writing, to be signed by the several members, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty, or not guilty ; and if guilty, suggesting what sentence, in their opinion, ought to be pronounced. They shall forward the decision, together with the evidence, and the record of the proceedings, to the Bishop ; whereupon, the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall to him appear proper, and such sentence shall be final. But if, in the opinion of the Bishop, the accused ought to have a new trial, he shall have power to award it ; in which case a new Council shall be convened, before which the proceeding shall be conducted as before provided.

SECTION 9. If at any time the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, the Bishop, (such confession being made to him, or being certified to him by the Council,) shall proceed to pass sentence ; and if, when put upon his trial before the Council, the accused shall neither admit, nor deny the charges, he shall be regarded as pleading not guilty.

SECTION 10.—It shall be the duty of the Bishop to report to the Convention, at its next session, after the trial of a Presbyter, or Deacon, as herein provided, the finding of the Council and his sentence thereupon.

## CANON IV.

*A list to be made of the Clergymen in this Diocese.*

SECTION 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop, or if no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or parishes, or of their stations as missionaries or chaplains, or of the colleges, academies, or other seminaries of learning, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority, in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in parishes, missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only. And such list shall be laid before the Convention immediately after it shall have been called to order on the first day of meeting, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. Such list shall then be referred to a Committee of three Clergymen appointed by the Chair, who shall forthwith consider and report who of the Clergymen, on said list, are entitled to all the privileges of members of the Convention, who are entitled to said privileges with the exception of the right to vote on matters pertaining to the temporal affairs of the Churches, who are entitled to seats but not to votes, and who are not entitled either to seats or votes. Such list thus reported and approved of by the Convention, shall be appended to the Journal, and shall be transmitted to the Secretary of every General Convention.

SECTION 2. No Clergyman, while suspended from the Ministry, shall have a place on said list.

SECTION 3. The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention, shall, if disputed, be determined, according to the provisions of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

SECTION 4. The Bishop shall take such measures for notifying the admission of Ministers into this Diocese, as may prevent unwary and ignorant people from being imposed upon by persons pretending to be authorized ministers of this Church. And his certificate shall be evidence of such admission.

## RULES OF ORDER.

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I. The opening of the Convention shall always be preceded by the Morning Service of the Church, a Sermon, and the administration of the Lord's Supper by the Bishop, or, if the Episcopate be vacant, or the Bishop be not present, by the President of the Standing Committee. The business of every succeeding day shall be introduced with the Morning Service, and the business of every day shall be closed with the appropriate Collects pronounced by the President.

II. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the Chair, the Secretary shall first call over, in alphabetical order, the names of the Clergy entitled to seats. He shall then call over the Churches entitled to representation, when the Delegates shall lay their certificates on the Secretary's table. These shall be referred to a Committee of Three, who shall forthwith examine them, and report to the Convention. A constitutional quorum having been found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized. Should the Committee have considered any testimonials unsatisfactory, these shall now be taken up, and the question of their sufficiency settled.

III. The further order of business for the first day of the session of the Convention shall be as follows :

1. The reading of the "Rules of Order."
2. The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.
3. The consideration of the application of Churches, or Parishes, for admission into the Convention.
4. The appointment, by the President, of Preachers for the first day of the next Annual Convention.
5. The appointment, by the President, of two Standing Committees, viz : the Committee on unfinished business one (1) Clergyman and two (2) Laymen ; the Committee on Finance, three (3) Laymen.
6. The annual communication of the Standing Committee of the Church.
7. The appointment of that Committee.
8. The choosing of Deputies to the General Convention.
9. The appointment of Special Committees.
10. Miscellaneous business.

IV. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be, on the President's taking the Chair :

1. The reading and approval of the Minutes.
2. Calling the names of members absent on the preceding day.

3. Calling upon each delegation to pay the assessment on their respective Churches or Parishes, for the Bishop's Common Fund, and for the expenses of the Convention.

4. Reports to be called for in the following order :

Committee on Finance.

Treasurer of Bishop's Permanent, Common and Convention Funds.

Committee on Unfinished Business.

Conventional School Committee.

Trustees for aged and infirm Clergymen.

Committees appointed at preceding Convention.

Special Committees.

5. Miscellaneous Business.

V. Before the rising of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

VI. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

VII. When the President shall take the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.

VIII. The delegation of each Church shall occupy one pew.

IX. No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he hath leave, or be unable to attend.

X. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and, without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself to the point in debate, and avoiding personality.

XI. When two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall name the member who is first to speak.

XII. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the Convention.

XIII. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session, except upon a motion to reconsider, which may be moved and seconded by any member who voted in the majority.

XIV. When the President is putting the question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the Church.

XV. No motion shall be considered before the Convention, unless seconded, and reduced to writing, if the President or any member require it. A Minister or Delegate may not second a motion offered by a Minister or Delegate of the same Church with himself.

XVI. When a question is before the House, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit or amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are named. A mo-

tion to strike out the word "Resolved," shall have precedence to a motion to amend ; and, if carried, shall be equivalent to a rejection of the resolution. Subject to these exceptions, the question first moved, shall be first put.

XVII. Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, and to postpone indefinitely, shall be decided without debate. A motion to adjourn may interrupt a speech, or any other business of the Convention.

XVIII. No leave of absence shall be indefinitely granted to any member, unless full and sufficient reason be given by him to the Convention.

XIX. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

XX. No member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he is immediately and personally interested, or in any case where he was not present when the question was put.

XXI. If any member, in speaking, or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Convention, the President *shall*, or any member *may* call to order ; in which case, the member so called to order shall immediately sit down unless permitted to explain. All questions of order shall be determined in the first instance, without debate, by the President ; but any member may appeal from such decision to the Convention, and on such appeal, no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the Convention.

XXII. The President shall have the right to name a member to perform the duties of the Chair ; but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

XXIII. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for Orders, shall be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

XXIV. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended, without the concurrence of two-thirds (2-3ds) of the members present.

XXV. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

## STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That the following are the sums which each Parish, or Church, shall annually contribute to a fund, to be called "The Bishop's Common Fund;" to wit :

St. Michael's,	-	\$300	St. Matthew's.	-	\$20
St. Philip's	-	300	St. Luke's,	-	15
St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro'	,	150	Church of the Holy Trinity,	,	
St. Peter's,	-	100	Grahamville,	-	15
Grace Church,	-		Christ Church, Wilton,	-	15
Prince George, Winyaw,		50	St. Helena, St. Helena Island,	10	
St. John's, Berkley,	-	50	St. Mark's, Clarendon,	-	10
St. John's, Colleton,	-	50	St. James, Goosecreek,	-	10
Edisto Island,	-	50	St. David's, Cheraw,	-	10
All-Saints, Waccamaw,	-	50	St. Andrew's,	-	10
St. Helena, Beaufort,	-	35	Grace Church, Camden,		10
St. Paul's, Pendleton,	-	30	Pineville and Upper St. John's,	10	
Trinity Church, Columbia,		30	Prince William's Parish,	-	10
St. James, Santee,	-	30	Grace Church, Sullivan's Island,	5	
North Santee,	-	30	Christ Church,	-	5
St. Bartholomew's,	-	25	St. James, James Island,	-	5
St. Paul's, Stono,	-	20	Trinity Church, Society Hill,		5
St. Thomas and St. Dennis,		20	Prince Frederick's,	-	5
Claremont,	-	20	Christ Church, Greenville,		5

*Passed 1824. Amended at various times.*

*Resolved*, That the Trustess of the Bishop's Common Fund, shall punctually pay over to the Bishop of the Diocese, the sum of fifteen hundred (1500) dollars, annually, in quarterly payments, from said fund ; to enable him to discharge his Episcopal duties.

*Passed 1835. Amended 1841.*

3. *Resolved*, That whatever balance may remain, after paying the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to the Bishop, shall be paid over to the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

*Passed 1834. Amended.*

4. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, in his annual summons to the different Parishes, or Churches, to state the quota of such Parishes, or Churches, to the Bishop's Common Fund.

*Passed 1830.*

5 *Resolved*, That the Parishes of St. Philips, St. Michael's, and St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro', and St. Peter's Church and Grace Church, Charleston, shall each contribute ten (10) dollars annually, and each Parish or Church in the country five (5) dollars annually, towards defraying the expenses of the Convention ; and, that the Secretary, in

issuing his summons to the Parish, or Churches, shall inform them of this resolution ; and that, at each Annual Convention, the Treasurer shall apply to the Delegates of each Church, for their respective contributions.

*Passed 1820. Amended 1829. 1848.*

6. *Resolved*, That it be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, for the time being, to furnish the Ministers of the several Parishes, or Churches, with blank copies of the usual form for Reports ; and that they be, and they are hereby required, *henceforth*, to make their annual returns conformably to the same.

[*Passed 1826.*

7. *Whereas*, according to the Consecration service of the Protestant Episcopal Church, "devout and holy men, as well under the Law as "under the Gospel, moved hither by the express command of God, or "by the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, and acting agreeably "to their own reason and sense of the natural decency of things, have "erected houses for the public worship of God, and separated them "from all *unhallowed, worldly* and *common* uses, in order to fill men's "minds with greater reverence for his glorious Majesty and affect "their hearts with more devotion and humility in his service ;" and, whereas, the delivering of oratians, and holding elections, on secular or political subjects and occasions, and the usual worldly accompaniments and circumstances, are thought inconsistent with both the letter and spirit of this declaration of the Consecration service, and have been found to give pain to many members of our Communion, and generally to be of injurious tendency ; therefore be it.

*Resolved by this Convention*, That it be recommended to the Vestries of all Churches in this Diocese, to discourage, and, if possible, interdict the use of the Churches under their care, for all *unhallowed, worldly* and *common* purposes.

*Passed 1828.*

8. *Resolved*, That the custom of returning thanks for Sermons preached before this body, is inexpedient and unnecessary, and shall not, in future, be observed.

*Passed 1829.*

9. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay, annually, to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the quota of this Diocese, towards defraying the contingent expenses of the General Convention.

*Passed 1832.*

10. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the several Clergymen having a Parochial charge, to give notice to their respective Congregations, on the Sunday preceding the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, that divine service may be expected every day during the sitting of the Convention.

*Passed 1838. Amended.*

11. *Resolved*, That the fund to be raised in conformity with a resolution for adopting measures to increase the Bishop's Permanent Fund, shall be called the " Convention Fund, raised for the increase of the Bishop's Permanent Fund ; shall be entrusted to the charge of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Permanent and Common Funds ; and shall not be used, either principal or interest, except for the purpose of investment until the income shall be adequate, together with the income

of the Bishop's Permanent Fund, to the support of the Episcopate, independent of a Parochial charge. *Passed 1836, and amended.*

12. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Parishes of the Diocese to defray the expenses of their respective Pastors, incurred by their attendance on the Diocesan Convention. *Passed 1838.*

13. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the members of our Church, who are proprietors of slaves, individually and collectively, to take measures for the *support* of Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists, who are members of our Church for the religious instruction of their slaves. *Passed 1838.*

14. *Resolved*, That it be urged upon the Rectors and Vestries of the country Parishes, to exert themselves to obtain the services of such Clerical Missionaries and Cay-Catechists. *Passed 1838.*

15. *Resolved*, That every Missionary and Catechist be approved of by the Bishop. *Passed 1838.*

16. *Resolved*, That the Clergy be required, on some suitable occasion previously to the meeting of the Convention in each year, to call the attention of their respective Congregations to the importance of the punctual attendance of Delegates at such Convention.

*Passed 1838.*

17. *Resolved*, That no person who is a candidate for Orders, shall be admitted to a seat in this Convention, as a Lay Delegate from any Parish or Church. *Passed 1839.*

18. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the several Churches in this Diocese, that in the appointment of Delegates to the Diocesan Convention, they should select persons who are regular communicants of the Church. *Passed 1841.*

19. *Resolved*, That the Rector or officiating Minister, or in case of there being no Minister, the Chairman of the Vestry in the different Parishes be requested at as early a date as possible after each annual election of Vestry and Wardens of their Church, to forward a list of their names to the President of the Standing Committee, and also a list to the Secretary of the Convention, that they may be kept on file. *Passed 1842.*

20. *Resolved unanimously*, That whereas the practice of both public and private travelling on the Lord's day, is deemed to be a prevalent evil of the times; and whereas, the 41st Canon of our Church, "Of the due celebration of Sundays," prescribes that "All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation."

*Resolved*, That the attention of the members of our Church in this Diocese be solicited to the above Canon. *Passed 1844.*

21. *Resolved*, That hereafter in voting by ballot, the Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Churches in order, and the votes be brought forward and deposited with the Tellers as called for. *Passed 1847.*

## DIOCESAN COMMITTEES, &c.

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### 1. Standing Committee of the Diocese :

The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D., *Chairman.*  
" Paul Trapier,  
" Paul T. Gervais,  
" Paul Trapier Keith,  
" J. S. Hanckel,  
Dr. I. M. Campbell,  
James H. Ladson,  
H. D. Lesesne,  
E. R. Laurens,  
C. G. Memminger.

### 2. Delegates to the General Convention :

The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D.  
" Thomas John Young,  
" Paul Trapier,  
" Joseph R. Walker,  
R. F. W. Allston,  
Benj. Huger, M. D.  
C. G. Memminger,  
Robert W. Barnwell.

### 3. Episcopal School Committee :

The Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden, D. D., *Chairman.*  
The Rev. Paul T. Gervais.  
" C. Hanckel, D. D.  
" C. Wallace,  
" P. T. Keith,  
Dr. I. M. Campbell,  
W. C. Courtney,  
Edward Lowndes,  
W. C. Courtney, *Secretary.*  
Dr. I. M. Campbell, *Treasurer.*

### 4. Trustees of the Fund for aged and infirm Clergymen.

The Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden, D. D., *Chairman.*  
N. R. Middleton,  
J. W. Faber,  
James R. Pringle, *Treasurer.*

## 5. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. Paul Trapier,  
 " T. J. Young,  
 " Dr. Hanckel,  
 " J. R. Walker,  
 " A. L. Converse,  
 " A. Glennie,  
 " W. H. Barnwell,

N. Russel Middleton,  
 Robert W. Barnwell,  
 C. G. Memminger,  
 Edward R. Laurens,  
 R. F. W. Allston,  
 Benj. Huger, M. D.

## 6. Secretary and Treasurer of the Convention:

The Rev. C. Wallace, *Post Office, Charleston.*  
 Assistant Secretary, The Rev. P. T. Keith, *Charleston.*

## 7. Treasurer of the "Bishop's Permanent and Common Funds" and of the "Convention's Fund for the increase of the Bishop's Permanent Fund:"

Thos. G. Simons, Jr., *Charleston.*

8. Committee on a new Congregation of Whites and Negroes in Charleston, to be called *Calvary Church.*

H. D. Leesne,  
 N. R. Middleton,  
 William Jervey,  
 Edward Lowndes,  
 Thos. M. Hanckel,  
 Geo. M. Coffin.

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The next meeting of the Convention will be held in St. Michael's Church, Charleston, on the third Wednesday of February, 1850, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary.*

## LIST OF THE CLERGY.

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" C. T. Bland,	Georgetown.
" John Barnwell Campbell,	Charleston.
" John W. Chanler,	New-York.
" Augustus L. Converse,	Stateburg.
" Andrew H. Cornish,	Pendleton.
" J. Hamilton Cornish,	Aiken.
" M. A. Curtis,	Society Hill.
" Thos. F. Davis,	Camden.
" William Dehon,	Pineville.
" Francis P. Delavaux,	Walterboro'.
" Charles P. Elliott,	Fulton, Sumter District.
" James H. Elliott,	Beaufort.
" Stephen Elliott,	Pocotaligo.
" Henry Elwell,	Society Hill.
" J. R. Fell,	Charleston.
" Andrew Fowler,	Charleston.
" Philip Gadsden,	Summerville.
" C. P. Gadsden,	Pineville.
" Paul T. Gervais.	Charleston.
" Richardson Graham,	Beaufort.
" Alexander Glennie,	Georgetown.
" Alexander Gregg,	Cheraw.
" C. H. Hall,	John's Island.
" Christian Hanckel, D. D.	Charleston.
" James Stuart Hanckel,	Charleston.
" W. H. Hanckel,	Edisto Island.
" Robert Henry, D. D.,	Columbia.
" Robt. T. Howard,	Georgetown.
" W. B. W. Howe,	Monck's Corner.
" Joseph Hunter,	Georgetown.
" Jedediah Huntington,	New-York, N. Y.
" Nathaniel Hyatt,	South Santee, way-mail.
" Benjamin Johnson,	Gillisonville.
" L. C. Johnson,	
Paul Trapier Keith,	Charleston.

The Rev. Maurice H. Lance,	Georgetown.
“ Charles E. Leverett,	McPhersonville.
“ E. C. Logan,	Charleston.
“ Alex. W. Marshall,	Charleston.
“ David McElheran,	Beaufort.
“ Stiles Mellichamp,	Charleston.
“ James W. Miles,	Charleston.
“ J. D. McCullough,	Spartanburg C. H.
“ Josiah Obear,	Randolph, Vermont.
“ Edward Phillips,	Charleston.
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“ G. L. Platt,	Georgetown.
“ William T. Potter,	Beaufort.
“ W. O. Prentiss,	Walterboro'.
“ J. Maxwell Pringle,	Gadsden.
“ Edward Reed,	Edgefield C. H.
“ J. B. Seabrook,	Bluffton.
“ Richard S. Seely,	Stamford, Connecticut.
“ Peter J. Shand,	Columbia.
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“ J. Ward Simmons,	Charleston.
“ J. H. Smith,	Grahamville.
“ Wm. Wallace Spear,	Charleston.
“ Isaac Swart,	Jacksonville, Florida.
“ Paul Trapier,	Charleston.
“ Joseph R. Walker,	Beaufort.
“ Edward T. Walker,	Adam's Run, St. Paul's Parish.
“ C. B. Walker,	Edgefield.
“ Cranmore Wallace,	Charleston.
“ Benjamin C. Webb,	Pocotaligo.
“ Arthur Wigfall,	Fulton.
“ Alsop Woodward,	Bluffton.
“ Thomas John Young,	Charleston.

